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LOCAL NEWS.

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Will C. Miner and wife spent several days in town this week with his parents.

The public school teachers took Monday as a "visiting day."

Sociables will be held at the South and West churches this evening.

The last dance before Lent will be held in Pilgrim hall, this evening, by the M. P. M. and M. club.

Assistant Postmaster George T. Abbott is confined to the house by rheumatism in one foot.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society of Christ church will hold its meeting every week during Lent on Friday, at 3 p. m.

Harry L. Wardsworth of Lawrence, has been elected class poet at Phillips academy in place of Jean Ross Irvine, resigned.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Grout went to New York, Monday, to attend the Westminster club dog show held in the Madison Square Garden.

W. J. Burns attended the private subscription party held in Saunders' hall, Lawrence, Monday evening. Mrs. Manrice Curran was one of the patronesses.

Last Sunday's New York Tribune had a picture of F. B. Grout's Boston terrier "Patson," which has been on exhibition at the New York dog show this week.

The next quarterly meeting of the Andover Christian Endeavor Union, will be held with the North Andover Society, Tuesday evening, March 13. Christian Endeavorers please reserve this date.

The Ladies' Afternoon Whist club held a "gentlemen's night" at Mrs. John N. Cole's on Locke street Wednesday evening. Everything was in keeping with the significance of the day which was to occur on the morrow, Washington's birthday.

Dan R. Hanna, well known here as a student at Phillips Academy, son of Senator Mark Hanna, was married on Monday to Mrs. Daisy Gordon Maude, at the residence of the bride's father in Glenville, a suburb of Cleveland, Ohio.

Last Sunday's storm prevented the pulpit exchange of West Parish Congregational and Andover Baptist pastors. Unless another blizzard interferes, Rev. Mr. Andrews will preach at the Baptist church next Sunday morning, Feb. 25.

Commander Peter D. Smith of the Massachusetts department, G. A. R., acted as one of the bearers at the funeral of the late Major George S. Merrill, which occurred at the family residence on Haverhill street, Lawrence, Tuesday afternoon.

The steamer New England which sailed from Boston recently with five hundred New Englanders aboard, touched at Malta where they were royally received by J. H. Grout, consul at that place. He is the brother of F. B. Grout of Andover.

Mr. Frissell, successor to Gen. Armstrong at the Hampton Institute, gave an illustrated stereoscopic lecture on negro education in the South, at the South church, Monday evening, before a good sized audience. The Hampton quartet was present and sang several selections very delightfully.

A "George Washington" sociable was held at Christ church parish house Wednesday evening, which was well attended. Mrs. Francis H. Johnson and Mrs. H. H. Tyler entertained the gathering with delightful readings. A series of impromptu tableaux were also arranged to assist in making up the program. Several of those present were in handsome colonial attire. Refreshments were served.

Last Friday evening, the Tissot pictures reproduced by the stereopticon were exhibited at the Town hall and were attended by a rather small audience. William J. Mann of Boston, was the lecturer who explained the various pictures and gave a short sketch of how Tissot came to paint them. On the whole, the pictures were a disappointment to many in the audience who had expected much more from the descriptions and accounts published in the different papers. Mr. Mann has as yet scarcely become familiar with the views and his subject matter, so that the lecture dragged somewhat. Some of the pictures were very realistic and powerful. The coloring in many was wonderful but when everything is said, they were not what some of those present expected to see.

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Washington's birthday yesterday.

Miss Minnie Shattuck is visiting friends in Pawtucket, R. I.

Fred W. Higgins attended a dance in Manchester last evening.

All the grocery stores in town closed at 6 o'clock Thursday evening.

Mr. Sawyer of Saco, Me., spent the day yesterday with Nesbit G. Gleason.

A new roan horse has been received by the American Express company for use in Andover.

A progressive whist party will be held by the members of the Andover club and their lady friends in the club rooms on Friday evening, March 2.

Phillips and Abbot academies were closed for Washington's birthday. The public schools, banks and post-office also enjoyed a holiday.

Andover lodge, 230, I. O. O. F., worked the third degree upon one candidate Monday evening, and also the initiatory degree upon two candidates.

George A. Christie has forwarded to Fred Warren, Jr., a second donation of \$10 subscribed by Andover people towards the British South African War Fund.

The following names were added to the voting list at the meeting of the board of registrars in Ballardvale, Feb. 16th: Precinct 2, Roy M. Haynes, Thomas Livingston, Joseph D. Russell.

A four-horse power gasoline engine has been put in at J. W. Barnard & Sons shoe factory on Barnard street. It will be used to run the machinery in the healing room.

We are in receipt of a copy of the *Arbroath Year Book* for 1900 published by the *Arbroath Herald* (Scotland). This year's edition is far ahead of anything yet published and is a mine of valuable information.

At the South church sociable this evening, Mr. Alden will give what must prove an entertaining and instructive talk on "What we get from a Lump of Coal." A short musical program will follow and light refreshments will be served. No children under 14 are expected to attend. The sociable will begin at 7.30. A small admission fee of ten cents will be charged.

The people of Andover will do well to keep in mind the lecture to be given by John K. M. L. Farquhar of Boston, on "Gardens, Fields and Wilds of the Hawaiian Islands," illustrated with over two hundred stereoscopic views, in the Town hall on March 8. The Florists and Gardeners' association hope this lecture will be largely attended.

The engagement is announced of Miss Alice Tucker, oldest daughter of President Tucker of Dartmouth college, formerly of Andover, to Prof. Dixon of the economic department of the college. Prof. Dixon will be the chief factor on the teaching force of the recently founded Tuck school of administration and finance. In the spring he will go to England to spend a few months in study and observation of English schools. Miss Tucker is a graduate of Pynchard and of Smith college.

Dr. Jane L. Greeley, who comes soon to lecture on Hygiene at Abbot Academy has many old friends in town who will rejoice to see her in her old place. The lectures will be practicable talks on eating, sleeping, breathing, exercise, and emergencies. Any of the ladies of the town will be welcome at these lectures, the dates, number and hours of which will be announced as soon as Dr. Greeley's engagements can be certain. The price of tickets will be low, depending upon the time which the lecturer can spare.

A morning concert was given in Phillips Academy at prayers, Tuesday, by the Hampton Quartette, and brief addresses were made by the President, Rev. Dr. H. B. Frissell, and by two graduates, Mr. Walker, a negro, and Mr. Douglas, the son of a Sioux chief. The pupils and teachers of Abbot Academy came in, and some of the neighbors. Two graduates of Hampton, one a negro and one an Indian, have graduated at Phillips and subsequently at Harvard, and Dr. Frissell was a member of the famous class of 1869. The audience was enthusiastic as well as large, and the quartette gave the negro melodies with great spirit. The collection, \$56.13, has been sent to the Treasurer at Hampton.

Between 300 and 400 people were present at the 13th anniversary observance of Lincoln lodge, A. O. U. W., held in Odd Fellows hall, Wednesday night. The following interesting program was rendered: Remarks, Grandmaster Workman Carey; banjo duet, Morton and Flynn; reading, Miss Shanahan; song, Miss Washburn; graphophone selections; song, Miss Nickerson; graphophone selections; song, Miss Washburn; flute solo, Master Whalen; reading, Miss Shanahan; song, Miss Nickerson; graphophone selections; banjo duet, Morton and Flynn. After the program was concluded, dancing was enjoyed until midnight, music being furnished by the Whalen family. The committee of arrangements consisted of Ira O. Gray, J. H. Matthews and George C. Foster.

The Young Ladies' Society of Christian Workers will meet at Mrs. F. T. Carlton's next Tuesday evening at 4 o'clock.

Ralph W. Trow and Charles H. Bell, Jr., attended a dance in Reading last evening, from 6 until 10 o'clock.

The Courteous Circle of King's Daughters will hold a regular meeting in the South church vestry, Thursday evening, March 1, at 7.30 o'clock.

Commander Peter D. Smith addressed the convention of the Massachusetts division of the Sons of Veterans in Faneuil hall, Boston, at the morning session yesterday. The regular meeting of the local camp, S. of V., was held at the Quincy house, Boston, Wednesday night, many members attending. They also attended the convention.

The South church vestry was filled last Tuesday evening by the audience which attended the assessors' entertainment and all were greatly pleased by the program rendered by Miss Clifford, reader, and Master Lambert, boy soprano, both of Boston. Miss Clifford read selections from Kate Douglas Wiggin's and Richard Harding Davis' works and others, some of which were very amusing. Master Lambert's solos were beautifully rendered.

The next meeting of the Andover Association will be held Tuesday, Feb. 27, at 9 o'clock with Professor Edward Y. Hincks, D. D., on Bartlett street. The order of exercises will include the following: Business; report of reading; Christian science, its strength and its weakness. (a) Review of Mrs. Eddy's writings and other literature, Rev. Mr. Hardy. (b) Discussion, our attitude toward Christian science; the Alienation of "the working classes" from the Church. (a) Paper, Rev. H. E. Oxnard. (b) Unusual ways of reaching men, a conference; devotional services; dinner; business; The Theological Seminars and the Churches. (a) What ought the Churches to expect of the Seminars? Rev. W. E. Wolcott. (b) Discussion, The Requirements of Licensure; the Child and the Church. (a) Review of Hyde's "God's Education of Man," Rev. F. R. Shipman. (b) Discussion, Increasing the value of Sunday school work. The peril of the Christian Endeavor movement.

Guild Entertainment.

The Guild entertainment on Monday evening, Feb. 20, will offer some musical attractions. Miss Dietrich, a charming young reader from the Emerson school of Oratory will give several selections. There will be vocal solos and duets and a male quartette.

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Cox, Miss Mary Morris, Miss Ellen
Decker, Uly Schneider, Lewis
Farnum, H. F. Smith, Lucinda W.
Hitchin, Miss Clara Smith, Miss Ellen
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Weather Record.

Temperature taken in the morning between 5 and 7 o'clock and at noon between 12 and 1 o'clock.

1899	Morn.	Noon.	1900	Morn.	Noon.
Feb. 16	18	43	Feb. 16	20	28
" 17	30	46	" 17	20	38
" 18	34	52	" 18	18	24
" 19	34	42	" 19	10	28
" 20	32	50	" 20	20	36
" 21	32	48	" 21	10	44
" 22	34	46	" 22	36	42

WEST PARISH.

A sociable will be held at the West church vestry tonight.

Mrs. Edward Abbott is confined to the house with la grippe.

The Woman's Literary club will meet at Mrs. Pike's next Thursday afternoon.

The Grange dancing class met Tuesday evening of this week instead of tonight as usual.

Miss Grace Burnham will spend Saturday and Sunday with her uncle, Dr. William Burnham, Worcester.

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THE CHILDREN OF CHARLES I

"Baby Stuart" and the Others Now in Memorial Hall.

So many questions are asked about the picture called "Baby Stuart," and the other children of Charles I, now hanging in the Cornell Art Gallery of Memorial hall, that a few of the facts in the case may be welcome.

We have in No. 122, the children of King Charles I of England. The picture was painted by Anthony Van Dyck, one of the greatest painters the world has ever produced, between the years 1634 and 1636. The little girl in the middle, who may be six years old, is Mary, who married one Prince of Orange and was the mother of another Prince of Orange, who became in later years, King William III of England. Upon her right hand is Charles, Prince of Wales afterward King Charles II, and about a year older than she. Baby Stuart is the child on her left, certainly not more than three years old, and then known as the Duke of York. He too became king of England under the title of James II. Mary has in her right hand a jeweled fan, perhaps the famous one which belonged to Queen Elizabeth and which was never seen after the Commonwealth.

Charles has his right hand upon a handsome dog. All three children are standing upon a beautiful rug which is strewn with the historic roses of England. Charles I had this picture hung in his bedroom at St. James palace; but when his collection was sold, it found its way to Turin, where it has ever since been. It is the finest of all Van Dyck's groups which contain but three children. One of the groups now at Windsor Castle which contains five of Charles' children, is considered by critics to rival it in execution.

Baby Stuart, which hangs near 123, is the head of James II, of 122 some what enlarged. It is so familiar I need not describe it. The rich lace cap, the quaint embroidered gown, the ball, or orange in the chubby hand all make up an enchanting picture, and we are glad the children who gaze upon it with innocent glee, do not know his miserable history. And, No. 131 is Henrietta Maria, the beautiful mother of these beautiful children. Van Dyck painted her thirty-five times.

On every canvass she glows with life and is resplendent in beauty. She loved these children passionately and one of the most charming pictures history reproduces, is this bewitching young mother walking up and down the magnificent galleries of Whitehall with Baby Stuart in her arms while Mary and Charles cling to her costly robes. While she walked she sang, quaint old folk songs, which her father the great Henry had learned. From his brave Bernais mother, and nursery songs picked up in England.

She was famous in every court of Europe for her enchanting voice, and the courtiers of Versailles said "all their music vanished when the English king carried her overseas," but I always think of her singing to her babies in the resounding corridors of the stately Cardinal. Pearls and lace adorn neck and hair, the crown of England is close at hand, encircled by the significant roses. Some happy, careless hours she must have had when these unfortunate children were babies for she wrote her mother, "she had the most charming family in Europe, and if the Prince of Wales was an ugly little black baby the Duke of York was fair enough to make up."

No. 124 is the husband of the lovely queen and the father of the charming children, the ill-fated Charles I, of England. We have three points of view of his handsome head, front, profile, and three quarters. His long, dark hair parted on his brow falls over his rich lace collar and his eyes seem to follow you as you go about the room.

Van Dyck painted this picture in 1637 for the purpose of being sent to Rome to Bernini who executed from it a bust in marble. It is said the great sculptor on seeing this portrait was so struck by the melancholy, or as he termed it, *fatal* expression, that he prophesied the violent end of the original. This bust was destroyed when the palace of Whitehall was burned in 1697. The picture from which 124 was taken, after a varied and most interesting history came into the possession of George IV, and is now in the Van Dyck room at Windsor Castle.

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Andover Vacation School.

"Hurrah for Vacation School! I wish it would last forty weeks!" shouted an enthusiastic boy as he ran down the steps of the Stowe school, out of the cool, airy work room into the August sunshine. "Hurrah for Vacation School!" echoed the small boys outside, as they gathered up their ten-pins, bats and balls, ring toss and bean bags, after passing a happy morning at their games in the well shaded yard. No higher testimony to the value of the Play School is needed. The whole story of its pleasures and profits can be constructed from it.

The Play School is a common-sense institution, where, during the long summer vacation, the surplus energy of small boys can be worked off to their advantage, under intelligent guidance. Boys of the most impressionable age are here kept busy in useful work or healthful play, both of which they heartily enjoy. They pass their time under ennobling influences which bring out the best there is in them, instead of wasting their days in the streets, doing their share of the proverbial mischief which is found "for idle hands to do."

A close intimacy with teachers who have their best interests at heart, means to these pupils a physical, mental and moral uplift and a development of that noble character which will make them good citizens. One may write pages on the pros and cons of methods in education, which, when summed up, will resolve themselves into the sentence: results depend on the personal influence of the teacher.

Fifteen years ago, through the whole-souled philanthropy of Mrs. Quincy Shaw, the first vacation school in the country was established in Boston. Since that time, the great need and value of such schools have been generally recognized in our large cities. "The people have begun to realize," as Miss Sadie American has aptly said, "that it is cheaper to form good citizens than to attempt to reform bad ones, and it is better to keep the school-houses full than the jails." Women's clubs are doing a grand work in maintaining these schools and play-grounds, and in giving them intelligent oversight. In Massachusetts cities alone, there are about fifty vacation schools under the direction of women's clubs.

The cities have set a good example for country towns to follow, and Andover, in this educational field as in others, is a pioneer. The Andover Guild, an organization of which the town is justly proud, assumed the entire expenses of the Play School. This good work is but one of the many branches of its wisely directed philanthropy. The School committee gave the use of the most commodious school building for the experiment. For two summers the Superintendent, George E. Johnson, has devoted his own vacation to the care of the Summer School, and its brilliant success is due, in great measure, to his active efforts and efficient oversight. With him it has been pure missionary work—a labor for love. He entered into it with the true play spirit which was readily caught by his pupils. At the same time, he tactfully impressed on their understanding the fact that obedience is not only the first law of Nature, but the first law of a well regulated school, even though its sessions are held under no roof but the sky.

The many branches of indoor work gave to the Stowe school-house the appearance of a bee-hive during the whole six weeks course. Open to guests at all times it was a most interesting place to visit. Forty-five boys were in regular attendance. It has been said by experts that the quality of the work done here is worthy a high rank beside that of the best city schools of its kind. One room in the basement was fitted up with neat little benches well equipped with tools forloyd work. The visitor was sure to find a boy at each bench, working with the same interest and zeal that he would have put into a game on the ball-ground, each one, making some useful article, and learning to handle tools in a way that will be of value to him in every day life. The wood-work was in charge of Herbert F. Burrage a graduate of Cornell.

The drawing class was under the direction of Miss Sara Jackson, a graduate of Boston Art Museum. A large room with a great array of black-board was taken for the art-room, and here the pupils passed many happy hours, scarcely conscious that their work was more than play. The exhibit at the close of the term proved, however, that they had gained valuable knowledge in the art of seeing things, and skill in the art of expression.

The Nature work was in charge of Leland Griggs of Dartmouth. The first thing to attract attention in the room devoted to this study was the bee-hive, so placed in a window that the regular daily work of the bees could be observed with comfort and safety. Watching the bees no doubt served to teach many a lesson not laid down in any course of study. Fine aquariums afforded opportunities for the study of aquatic animals and plants. The microscope was in constant use, revealing hidden wonders. Among the specimens collected were many chrysalides. The boys expect to be present at the grand openings and behold the marvellous transformation scenes, when each "dull chrysalis cracks into shining wings."

The visitors, going from room to room, stopped now and then to listen to strains of music from a far-away place above. Going towards it meant mounting higher and higher until the music hall on the fourth floor was reached—but it was well worth the effort. With Edward Hemmer for leader, the orchestra was always ready to give "The Star Spangled Banner," "America," "Hail Columbia," and other national airs, with a vim which left no doubt whatever of the patriotism of the young performers. In addition to this orchestral practice, the boys were so fortunate as to have instruction from John Backelder, the well-known organist of Christ Church.

John Angus of Phillips Academy, was instructor in the art of printing. In this department the older boys were setting type and making ready the forms for printing a paper all their own. The work to be done entirely by these youthful followers of Gutenberg. As the result of this undertaking, a neat little four-page paper appeared. Vol. 1, No. 1 of "The Summer School Record" was proudly sent out to the friends of the young journalists. I quote from the "Record," that the boys may tell their own story.

"Gardening"

"One of the most interesting things we learned in the Summer School was gardening. In our gardens we planted beans, corn, peas, potatoes and beets. There were many gardens and while we waited for the plants to appear we had talks with our teacher and we took notes in our books. Our teacher, Warren Johnson is a very good gardener and told us a lot of things which we knew nothing about."

"Swimming"

"We went to Pump's Pond, Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 12:45. . . . A few boys liked to stay in the water a good while, so we made a rule that the last one dressed should get a whipping. One boy who saw that he would be last dressed ran down to the ice-house with his stockings and shoes in his hand. All the boys have had a fine time at the swimming class."

"Woodwork"

"More boys were in the woodwork class than in any other, and the facilities for this work were such that splendid results were obtained. . . . The largest piece of work accomplished by the class was a wind-mill, which, for a time was in operation behind the Stowe School."

Out door sports and games were under the personal supervision of the Superintendent, Mr. Johnson. The athletic exhibit on the closing field-day showed that intelligent care had been given to the development of health and strength. Excursions to the woods and hills were a feature of the summer entertainments both popular and profitable. The statement of a teacher that "even snakes, that everybody kills, were not stoned nor injured," implies that instruction was given on humane lines. Children should be led to the study of living things in a spirit of kindness and friendliness; otherwise the aim and object of Nature study is defeated. Implements for capturing or killing, may well be left to "children of a larger growth." It is fortunate that the mania for making "collections" is passing away. Should it long continue, many rare species would become extinct. Leading scientists have foreseen the danger of encouraging thousands of public-school children to make collections for themselves, and have sounded the note of alarm. Still more to be deplored is the danger of blunting the finer sensibilities, and preventing the sweet influences of Nature from having their perfect work in the heart of the child. Vacation schools can do a splendid work in teaching how to preserve, rather than how to destroy.

The Play School. How fascinating the combination of words. What infinite possibilities it suggests. Surely, this unique institution will yet solve the great problem of the small city. Several branches of the summer school work are continued during the winter under the auspices of the Guild, the appointments having been removed to the Guild house. Competent instructors in sloyd-work, printing, music and gymnastics are there employed. Cooking and sewing classes are provided for girls, and the stamp saving business is thriving. In closing this chapter, one may well echo again the shout with which it opens, and add: "Hurrah for the Andover Guild!"

SARAH NELSON CARTER.

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COMMUNICATIONS

To the Editor of the Townsman:

Dear Sir,—One of the articles in the warrant for the next town meeting reads as follows:—"To see if the town will vote that official ballots shall hereafter be used in town elections." This means, of course, the adoption for town elections of the so-called Australian system, the same that is now used in the state elections. It means, therefore, an absolutely secret ballot, the advantage of which over our present method probably no one can be found to deny; for while we may be comparatively free from the worst forms of electioneering and the undue influencing of voters which is sometimes carried on at the very polls, the possibility is always present, and a certain amount of that kind of work, legal enough under our present system, but certainly undesirable, has always been done. In the next place, it means simplicity instead of confusion in regard to the ballots themselves, with all the names upon one ballot instead of the multiplicity of ballots to which we have been accustomed. Last year there were only three offices contested for, and yet there were eight different ballots distributed including all possible combinations. Every additional contest would double the possible number of ballots, and it is altogether probable, and perhaps to be desired as allowing greater freedom of choice, that the number of offices contested for should increase rather than diminish.

The fact that nearly all the large towns of the state are now using this system creates a strong presumption in its favor, which is strengthened by the fact that, although in most of these large towns the system has been in use for over eight years, not a single one has ever gone back to the old way after once trying the new. Our own town may seem to be an exception, having voted in March, 1894, to adopt the Australian system, but the vote to rescind it was passed in October of the same year before the new method was tried. With all this experience of others to guide us it would seem to be no unsafe thing, therefore, for Andover once more to adopt, and this time to try before rejecting, a system which has so successfully stood the test in other towns.

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The Power of Kindness.

Kindness means a disposition to please; an anxiety manifested by our conduct, by our looks that we are anxious to promote the comfort of those with whom we associate. Kindness may be compared to a small stream that runs along the fields and the valleys, nourishing all vegetation, causing the flowers to bloom and the grass to look green, and the birds to sing along the banks. So does a kind look and a happy countenance spread peace and joy around.

Pity without kindness tends more to commiserate our wants. But kindness is the attention to our comfort. Kindness expresses itself in words that are calculated to please, and since not only words but the tones of our voices are indicative of our thoughts and feelings, it is of course, necessary for us to be careful of what we say and how we say it.

Kindness is an ennobling sentiment; it is a christian virtue, for in a community where this sentiment is manifested, there is peace and quietness. Half the quarrels that disturb the rest of society, arise from unkind words. For what are the slanders and gossipings which we hear intended but to hurt the feelings of those of whom they are spoken, and refer to something of which the person or persons have never been guilty? When a story arises, be it ever so small, there are plenty of gossipers to add to the story and make it as bad as possible, for a story never loses but generally gains by going its rounds. There are those also who are constantly picking flaws in our characters, who seem never to try to find any good qualities in them.

Who has not heard of the world renowned, "they say?" His name is familiar to all men. It is a household word. What is this but slander and tattling and peace breaking? It is of the town of evil report and sin. Such as these we ought to avoid and strive to be courteous and affectionate to one another, telling one another of his faults instead of slandering him behind his back.

Nor is kindness to man all that is essential. We should be kind to the dumb beasts in our charge, for a person who is constantly trying to injure a little insect, to crush him under his feet has not this ennobling sentiment, kindness, in his heart. Who can be unkind to him who is kind at all? Wealth may surround us with its beauty and learning, or talent may gain us admirers, but love and kindness alone can capture the heart. Whether we live in a cottage or a palace these graces will surround us with sunshine making us and all with whom we associate happy. Love is kind.

ANNIE M. CARTER.

No. Andover.

"I think I would go crazy with pain were it not for Chamberlain's Pain Balm," writes Mr. W. H. Stapleton, Herminie, Pa. "I have been afflicted with rheumatism for several years and have tried remedies without number, but Pain Balm is the best medicine I have got hold of." One application relieves the pain. For sale by Arthur Bliss, Andover; C. H. Shattuck, Ballardvale.

TOWN WARRANT.

The following are the principal articles of the Warrant for consideration at the Annual Town Meeting Monday, March fifth, 1900:

Article 1st.—To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2nd.—To choose Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, three members of the Board of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for one year, one member of the Board of Health for three years, three members of the School Committee for three years, one Trustee of the Memorial Hall for seven years, one Trustee of the Cornell Fund for three years, one Park Commissioner for three years, one member of the Board of Public Works for three years, one Tree Warden for one year, one or more Auditors of Accounts, Constables, Fence Viewers, Field Drivers, Surveyors of Lumber, a pound keeper, Fire Wards, and any other officers the town may determine to choose.

Article 3rd.—To take action on the following question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this town?"

Article 4th.—To determine what sums of money shall be appropriated for Schools, School-houses, School-books and Supplies, Highways and Bridges, Macadamized Roads, Sidewalks, Removing Snow, Horses and Drivers, Street Lighting, Town Officers, Public Works, Sinking Fund for Memorial Hall Notes, Fire Department, Town House, Almshouse, Repairs on Almshouse, State Aid, Military Aid, Relief out of Almshouse, State Tax, County Tax, Abatement of Taxes, Interest on Bonds, Funds and Notes, Redemption of Bonds, Voted Oct. 21, 1889, Notes Payable, Printing and Stationery, Miscellaneous, Memorial Day, Insurance, Spring Grove Cemetery, Hay Scales, Park Commission, Public Dump and other town charges and expenses.

Article 5th.—To see if the Town will authorize the issue of twenty thousand dollars of Sewer Bonds for construction purposes on petition of the Board of Public Works.

Article 6th.—To see if the Town will appoint a committee to readjust the grades of the streets and appropriate a sum of money therefor on petition of the Board of Public Works.

Article 7th.—To see if the Town will purchase the land adjoining the Town Farm owned by J. C. Foster of Oakland, Cal., and known as the Brick Yard property (containing about twenty-two acres) and appropriate a sum of money therefor on petition of T. F. Pratt and others.

Article 8th.—To see if the town will locate and maintain three incandescent lamps on Main street in Scotland District one near B. F. Holt's, one at four-corners near the late residence of John B. Abbott, one at four-corners near Wm. H. Carter's, and appropriate a sum of money therefor on petition of Newton Jaquith and others.

Article 9th.—To see if the Town will locate and maintain an incandescent lamp on Lowell street near James H. Kibbee's, and appropriate a sum of money therefor on petition of C. H. Kibbee and others.

Article 10th.—To see if the town will put all shrubs and bushes on the roadsides in charge of the Tree Warden on petition of the Park Commissioners and others.

Article 11th.—To see if the Town will appropriate a sum sufficient to place a marker of the Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, at the grave of each revolutionary soldier or sailor buried in this town, the expense not to exceed one dollar each, on recommendation of the above named society.

Article 12th.—To hear and act upon the report of the Selectmen in regard to appropriating a sum of money sufficient to widen Chester street in Ballardvale, beginning at a point on Lowell street and running southwesterly about six hundred feet.

Article 13th.—To see if the Town will vote that official ballots shall hereafter be used in town elections according to section 860, Chapter 548 of the Acts of 1898, on petition of B. M. Allen and others.

Article 14th.—To see if the Town will vote to lower the bed of Roger's Brook, so called, and appropriate a sum of money therefor on petition of A. P. Richardson and others.

Article 15th.—To see if the Town will appropriate one hundred and fifty dollars to lower the Culvert on School street between the residences of Mrs. Esther H. Byers and E. K. Jenkins.

Article 16th.—To see if the Town will accept and adopt the new town Seal as recommended by the State Commissioner of Public Records.

Article 24th.—To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

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UP RIVER CAMPS.

An important sequel to the up-river camp breaks occurred last Saturday, when David Ouellette was arrested by Officers A. M. Robinson and W. Varnum of the Dracut force, and was caught, it is alleged, in the act of stealing. The two officers made the rounds of the camps on that day and found that many had been broken into, but as they approached Greeley's camp, they saw a man in the act of breaking the glass of one of the windows.

Immediately they seized their man, who gave his name as David Ouellette of 889 Essex street, this city. Upon searching their prisoner at Lowell whither he was taken, the officers found two lace curtains, two pad-locks and a water faucet.

The matter was reported to the local police with the desire that the matter be given publicity in order that parties owning camps on the river may inspect the goods with the view of identifying them. The articles may be seen at Officer Varnum's, Belle Grove.

The officers deserve credit for having made this arrest, for it is no easy matter to apprehend these smooth customers whose business it is to break and plunder. It is earnestly to be hoped that this arrest will in a measure put a stop to the continued breaking that is going on up river.

Following is a list of the camps which the officers found broken into: "Deer Jump," "Beulah," "Smudge," "Glenwood" cottage, door unfastened; "Pioneer" camp, door smashed in; "Glencliff" back door smashed and front door open; "Rosedale" cottage, door broken in, and John Thompson's camp, window smashed.

Ouellette's case came up in the Lowell police court Monday and after he had entered a plea of not guilty on the charge of larceny and attempt to break and enter, the case was continued till tomorrow, the defendant being held in bonds of \$400.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

A meeting of the Central Labor union was held Sunday. Past President Byrne was elected an honorary member.

The action of the committee on fire department in voting to ask the city government for permission to purchase a combination wagon from a Baltimore firm was discussed.

The sentiment of the meeting was that the contract for building the wagon should be given to a local firm.

A committee including the legislative and grievance committees, and delegates from the Carriage and Wagon Workers' union, was appointed to attend the meeting of the common council tonight and protest against the awarding of the contract to outside parties. The committee will urge that the wagon ought to be built by a Lawrence firm.

SMALL POX AFTERMATH.

Now that the small pox scare is over the citizens at large draw a sigh of relief, gratified that the danger which threatened them has disappeared. Some express sympathy for Frank H. Brown, the victim, but few give much thought to those who have suffered most in consequence of Brown's sickness.

The drug store where Brown worked and the barber shop where he was shaved have probably been most effected. The barber shop, the proprietor Carron and the employee were quarantined, the shop closed, and the tools destroyed. The board of health gave Mr. Carron permission to re-open his shop just as soon as possible, but it is stated that fear of small pox has kept practically all the old customers away, and thus greatly injured the business.

The board of health says that there is absolutely no ground for fear of contagion now.

GLORIOUS NEWS

Comes from Dr. D. B. Cargile, of Washila, I. T. He writes: "Four bottles of Electric Bitters has cured Mrs. Brewer of scrofula, which had caused her great suffering for years. Terrible sores would break out on her head and face, and the best doctors could give no help; but her cure is complete and her health is excellent." This shows what thousands have proved,—that Electric Bitters is the best blood purifier known. It's the supreme remedy for eczema, tetter, salt rheum, ulcers, boils and running sores. It stimulates liver, kidneys and bowels, expels poisons, helps digestion, builds up the strength. Only 50 cents. Sold by Arthur Bliss, Druggist, Guaranteed.

ANNUAL ELECTION.

Monday evening Presiding Elder J. E. Robins held the fourth quarterly conference of St. Paul's Methodist church. While all the reports for the year were good, Dr. Robins called the financial and sundry reports the best that he had heard in his district.

The pastor, Rev. C. H. Farnsworth, was unanimously invited to return for the third year.

The trustees elected were: Harry J. Trees, William Holloway, J. A. Cragie, John W. Judson, William Judson, Charles A. Baker, Arthur S. Searle, C. J. Burgess, M. D., Joseph Barcroft.

Stewards elected: George C. Corless, Silas Thomas, Arthur Hey, Timothy Clark, Benet Whitehead, Richard Fox, Ellis Glover, Alfred Butterworth, Charles Thomson.

Conference delegate, Arthur S. Searle, District steward, R. Fox; recording steward, Silas Thomas; treasurer, H. J. Trees; collector, William Holloway; pew agent, A. S. Searle.

CENSURE VOTE.

In a meeting of about an hour's duration Monday night the common council accomplished considerable routine and other business. At times speeches waxed good and warm, and the assault upon the members of the sub-committee for their action regarding the ward 5 engine house apparatus, made by Councilman Scanlon, was ably replied to by Councilman Spinlow. The former councilman protested vigorously and desired his colleagues to "place themselves on record as being in favor of their own citizens and taxpayers."

Many orders and petitions were adopted in concurrence, among them being those for compensation for personal injuries, street lights, macadamizing and paving, and all the new orders and petitions presented were adopted.

The famous "Curlew Ordinance" was reported enrolled by the committee on enrolled bills, and it was subsequently passed to be ordained.

We look back now on the writers who dated their products "January 1st, 1900," as "ancients of the earth," just as posterity will say of us: "They lived away back yonder in 1900! They didn't know anything"—and thought they knew it all—poor fellows!—Atlanta Constitution.

Loving Tributes.

As simply as Major George S. Merrill had lived, his body was laid at rest in Bellevue cemetery Tuesday afternoon. The veteran soldier, journalist, insurance man and politician, known throughout the nation, was tenderly consigned to his last resting place without pomp or ceremony.

The body lay in state at Mr. Merrill's late home, 234 Haverhill street, from 10 o'clock until noon today, and the remains were viewed by hundreds of friends of the deceased, including former comrades in the army, associates in business, and others who wished to take a last look at the well known features. Among those who viewed the remains were representatives of nearly every organization in the city.

While the body lay in state a detail of four members of Needham post, 39, G. A. R., was on guard. The detail comprised Commander O. W. Jenkins, Past Commander James Lane, Junior Vice Commander Robert Humphrey and Comrade Edward Abbott.

The funeral services were held at 1:30 o'clock, Rev. Charles E. Reese, a former pastor, now of the Newton Theological seminary, officiating. Rev. Mr. Reese paid an earnest tribute to the sterling character of the deceased. His prayer was a most feeling one.

It was the wish of the bereaved family that the funeral should not be a public one, hence although many intimate friends and associates of Major Merrill attended the services there were no delegations from the various lodges and organizations to which the deceased belonged.

A beautiful feature of the simple service was the singing of Mrs. Charles H. "Glencliff."

The bearers were Peter D. Smith, commander of the Massachusetts department G. A. R., John G. Adams of Lynn, past commander of the Massachusetts department G. A. R., now sergeant in the Massachusetts legislature, Deacon N. Magoon of the First Baptist church, Deacon George E. Murray of the First Baptist church, Capt. H. G. Herrick and John A. Wiley of North Andover.

The remains reposed in a plain black broadcloth casket, which was placed amid a perfect border of beautiful floral tributes. The casket was also draped with a silk American flag. The inscription on the casket plate was:

MAJOR GEORGE S. MERRILL.

The interment took place in Bellevue cemetery.

Judge Andrew C. Stone had general charge of the funeral arrangements. Among the beautiful floral tributes were the following: Large cross and crown on base, inscribed "Press club," from Lawrence Press club; large spray of calla lilies from the VII club of Haverhill; large wreath of roses, ivy and ferns, from the executive officers of the New York Life insurance company; basket of flowers from the employees of the park commission; large basket of roses from Needham Relief corps; large ivy wreath inscribed "Seltzer club," from Seltzer club; square "d" composed of "Phoenix" and "Phoenician" from Phoenician lodge, F. and A. M.; large mound of roses from the Home club; large mound of roses from employees of the postoffice who served under Major Merrill; spray of roses and pinks from Mrs. Frank Russell; spray of roses from Dr. George W. Dow; spray of roses and pinks from the First Baptist church; spray of calla lilies from Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Sharp; mound of violets from Judge Sherman; large design representing the Grand Army badge from the state G. A. R. headquarters at Boston; spray of roses from Mrs. Stearns and family; cut flowers from Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. of Wenham; circular mound "U. V. U." from the Union Veteran's union of Haverhill; spray of violets and lilies of the valley from the Misses Hall; large galax wreath tied with yellow ribbon, from Boston friends; wreath of lilies from the Boston club; large design with "leaf" of wheat and violets from the Massachusetts department of Women's Relief corps; large mound of white roses from the Massachusetts insurance department, of which he was once the head; broken wreath and sickle, inscribed A. H. A. Cy., from the Ancient and Honorary company; basket of roses from the officers of Battery C.

The following order was issued by Department Commander Peter D. Smith of the Massachusetts G. A. R. Saturday from headquarters:

"With most profound sorrow and a heavy heart it becomes the duty of the department commander to announce to the comrades of this department the death of George S. Merrill, a member of Needham post 39, of Lawrence, past department commander of this department and past commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, died at his home this morning.

"By the death of our beloved comrade Maj. George S. Merrill, not only has the department but our order throughout the country suffered

Two letters from Women Helped Through the "Change of Life" by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—When I first wrote to you I was in a very bad condition. I was passing through the change of life, and the doctors said I had bladder and liver trouble. I had suffered for nine years. Doctors failed to do me any good. Since I have taken Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, my health has improved very much. I will gladly recommend your medicine to others and am sure that it will prove as great a blessing to them as it has to me."—MRS. GEO. H. JUNE, 901 DeKalb Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Relief Came Promptly

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I had been under treatment with the doctors for four years, and seemed to get no better. I thought I would try your medicine. My trouble was change of life, and I must say that I never had anything help me so much as Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Relief came almost immediately. I have better health now than I ever had. I feel like a new woman, perfectly strong. I give Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound all the credit, and would not do without her medicine for anything. I have recommended it to several of my friends. There is no need of women suffering so much for Mrs. Pinkham's remedies are a sure cure."—MAHALA BUTLER, Bridge-water, Ill.

Another Woman Helped

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound during change of life and derived great benefit from its use."—MARY E. JAMES, 136 Cuydon St., Bradford, Pa.

a great loss. Since the organization of our order he has been foremost in all its deliberations, giving of his time and strength by voice and pen in seeking to advance its interests.

"He was one of the most active workers in his genial, kind and unselfish nature endeared him to all who became acquainted with him. To know him thoroughly was to love him. He was a gallant soldier, a good citizen and a dearly beloved comrade.

"The great commander of us all has in his infinite wisdom called. The major has answered him, and has pitched his tent on the eternal camping ground.

"We shall miss him from our councils and gatherings. But, comrades, as our ranks are broken let us draw closer together.

"His pen and voice are still, but the good work he has done for our order will endure long after he has welcomed all of his comrades on the other shore. His life was full of many, unselfish acts.

"Deepest love and sympathy go out to his afflicted wife and children, and we commend them to the care of our Heavenly Father knowing full well he will tenderly care for them for 'He doeth all things well.'"

"As a mark of respect for our departed comrade, department and post officers, will for 30 days from date of this order, wear the usual badge of mourning on the left arm and sword hilt, when on duty, and the charter of each post will be draped in mourning."

Boston, Feb. 17.

CUT-OFF AT NINETY-THREE.

The English have governed in South Africa for 100 years, driving into the desert the Dutch who wish to be independent. But the strange Boer race—which is not exactly Dutch, but a mixture of several races, including almost as strong an admixture of French Huguenot blood as of the blood of Holland and including also a dash of German, English and Scottish—always comes uppermost in the affairs of the colonies.

At this day the "Afrikanders," or Dutch-speaking colonials, bear away by virtue of their majority in Cape Colony itself. An Austrian traveller, Herr Hugo Hubner, tells why this is so.

The Boers love South Africa and have no desire to live anywhere else. They have taken deep root in the soil. They have completely adapted themselves to the climate and conditions of life. They live to a great age and great families of children are born to them.

Herr von Hubner visited a family of French Huguenot origin, Hugo by name, which was in mourning for the death of the father. The family had mostly assembled on account of the old man's death, and there was a great crowd.

"How many descendants did Herr Hugo leave?" the visitor asked.

"He had 22 in all," was the answer, "but there are only 21 living now."

"All children and grandchildren?"

"And great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren."

"How did he happen to die?"

"That is what no one can tell," they answered, shaking their heads. "He never had a sick day in his life, he never took to his bed, and he seemed to drop off all at once. It is a profound mystery."

"But how old was he?"

"Only 93."

No such English-speaking patriarchs as this are found. The English abandon the country as soon as they can, if they must remain to complete the making of a fortune, or to earn a livelihood, they send their children "home" to England to be educated.

The Boers of French origin are proud of it, and even call themselves French sometimes, but they do not speak a word of the French language. They are as completely assimilated to the Boer nationality as any European emigrant in the second generation in America is to ours.—Youth's Companion.

"HEADS, BODIES AND LEGS."

"Heads, Bodies and Legs," is a most amusing drawing game. The first player draws a head at the top of his strip of paper, folds it down, and the next player adds the body without having seen the head. The third player adds the legs, and the effect of the whole figure when opened out is very quaint recalling the Egyptian hieroglyphics. She who commenced life as a serious woman, the body of a bird, and the legs of a ballet dancer, while the soldier's head, with a helmet, ends in a blue-cat boy's coat and a lady's skirt.

QUAIL A LA MODE.

Two plump quails, two tablespoonfuls of butter, one gill of highly seasoned broth, one gill of port or claret, one teaspoonful of onion vinegar, celery salt, white pepper, one tablespoonful of mushroom catchup. Cut the birds open down the back. Put the butter into the chafing dish and heat until it begins to brown. Then put in the birds, cover and cook five minutes; turn and cook five minutes longer. When nicely browned on both sides, add the broth, port or claret, catchup and vinegar; season with the celery salt and pepper and serve.

CHOCOLATE LAYER CAKE.

Three quarters of a cupful of butter, one and a half cupfuls of sugar, two and a quarter cupfuls of sifted flour, three eggs, one quarter of a teaspoonful of salt, three squares of chocolate, three quarters of a cupful of milk, one teaspoonful of vanilla, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder.

Scald the milk, dissolve it in the grated chocolate and set aside until cool. Cream the butter and sugar and add the vanilla and the beaten yolks of the eggs. Add alternately the flour and the prepared milk, then the stiffly whipped whites. Lastly stir in the baking powder and beat hard for two minutes. Bake in three layers and when cold put together with the following icing:

Boil together one cupful and a half of granulated sugar, one-half of a cupful of water and a pinch of cream of tartar. When a little dropped into a little water can be rolled into a soft ball, take from the fire and set aside until partly cooled. Stir until it begins to thicken and add one teaspoonful of vanilla and two squares of chocolate grated and melted over hot water. When quite thick spread between and over the top of the cake.—Table Talk.

GINGERBREAD BISCUITS.

Put half a pound of flour into a basin, add to it a pinch of salt and a teaspoonful of baking powder; rub three ounces of butter into the flour, then add three ounces of brown sugar, a teaspoonful of ground ginger, three tablespoonfuls of treacle and just sufficient milk to mix the ingredients to a stiff paste.

Turn the paste onto a floured board, and roll it out with a floured rollingpin about one-eighth of an inch in thickness, and then cut into biscuits either with a round cutter which has been floured, or the top of a medium sized tin will answer the purpose. Place some fine strips of candied lemon peel on the back of the biscuits, and bake them at once on a floured tin at a moderately hot oven for about 10 or 15 minutes. When done, remove the biscuits very carefully from the tin and

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Passing Comment by a "Challenged" Man.

We beg to apologize to the readers of the *Townsmen* for the contents of this page in today's issue.

Early this week a leading Boston advertising agency asked for the price of a column advertisement in the *Townsmen*, and our regular rates were quoted. Thursday morning a plate of the matter adjoining was received, with orders not to omit "under any circumstances." The editor had already decided that no further discussion of the subject could be either profitable or wise, and had disposed of the matter from a newspaper standpoint, with orders for a full report of the caucus at the hands of the regular *Townsmen* reporter; considering that it was already disposed of as a subject for argument, by the action of the voters at the caucus last Monday night.

In writing the following, it is realized how distasteful it must be to many of our readers to see this discussion go on, but as there is a business obligation to publish the harrangue of Mr. Shaw, so it seems to the writer there is a personal obligation to write a brief reply. Inasmuch as it is personal it will be written from a personal standpoint.

To The Citizens of Andover:

For the past few years there has been running rampant in the southern end of our town a gentleman, who, through a sudden change in his condition, has come to think himself an ordained instrument to reform the evil doings of the wicked town of Andover. His first appearance upon the public stage was in his attack upon the town officials at a public meeting a year ago. The point of his attack was a particular official, but as it seems to be impossible to stop his tongue when it is once started, he did not cease until many had been brought under his lash of censure. This was followed, after a majority of the voters had repudiated him, his methods and his candidate, by characterizing the success of the winner as a "triumph of the rag tag and bobtail of the town;" quite a compliment to the majority of Andover voters!

The next step seems to have been reserved for the campaign of this year, and what it and its succeeding steps were, are now well known to most of the citizens of Andover.

The editor of the *Townsmen* never intended his editorial in the issue of the 9th inst. as an attack or reflection upon a single man who was a supporter of Chas. Greene for Selectman from an honest belief in his fitness for the office. He doesn't believe any such honest supporter ever so construed it. If any man took umbrage at it, it was wholly because the coat fitted. Neither did he mean it in any sense as an endorsement of Mr. Stark for the office. It was the simple statement of a truth recognized by every intelligent observer; a truth which had shown by many contests, that hundreds of Andover voters would not be party to a campaign of spleen and spite against any man.

But the coat fitted this self appointed regulator of Andover public morals, and he put it on with a flourish, even at the cost of hiring a hall in which to do it. What he said and how he said it, and how the subsequent results piled up, are all told in his own way, in his paid advertisement elsewhere; a statement that appears to be just as full of rash words and abuse as seem to characterize all of his public words and deeds.

What happened in the caucus last Monday night is told elsewhere by the *Townsmen* as a news story, and was witnessed by over two hundred citizens of the town. It is not necessary for me to comment upon the version of it given by Mr. Shaw in his paid advertisement; for those two hundred citizens can be safely trusted to find all through his story such misrepresentation as is sufficient to place him in his true light. The one direct statement alone should, however, be an exception to this; I never said "the interests of Ballardvale are of no importance," but I did say in no unmistakable language that the article of news in question was "of no interest to any one except Ballardvale residents and they already knew all about it."

Nothing could better show the character of the man who is posing as a "moral political reformer" than an act which occurred before the caucus closed, in which this "high minded," "honorable," citizen, who had just been publicly branded as a misleader of public sentiment, as a violator of every rule of decency in political work; when this man called me to him and said "that was a neat turn Mr. Cole, you had the best of me on that circular." What think the citizens of the town of a man thus coolly taking charges that would make the crookedest politician on earth either apologize or indignantly deny, but which this man passes by with an inch or so of ridicule and levity at ten cents a line?

I have no charges to make against Wm. Shaw that are not already clear and full before the citizens of this town.

It would bring no credit to me to touch by insinuation and ingenious word play his private life as he has attempted to touch the private life of the author of the "Brownie" article in the opening of his advertisement. There is no issue between Mr. Shaw and me that requires "twelve men" or any other committee to settle. If he wishes an opportunity to set his talking machine in motion in the Andover town hall, he has only to pay his ten dollars to the janitor and he can probably be accommodated. As for me my employers pay me for another kind of labor, and I have no *feasible* source of income out of which the expense could be borne.

I am perfectly willing to trust the judgment of the entire citizen body of Andover in dealing with whatever phase of this senseless discussion they are concerned in. They have settled such matters for over two hundred years without any paid advertisements or public backbitings. Though the majority of them are "rag, tag, and bobtail" in the eyes of this Ballardvale apostle of purity, they succeeded in establishing a pretty satisfactory position before the world at large, long before the Christian zeal of the young people of America gave Mr. Shaw a chance to shine, and I believe the town will continue to maintain such a position, long after he has found his true place among his fellow men.

JOHN N. COLE.

Editorial Cinders.

Rogers brook changed its usual merry song into an angry outburst yesterday, and before it had finished its roaring and rushing it had done great mischief to the residents along its course. It was an object lesson for the interested citizen to give serious consideration, in the light of a call for relief from its all too frequent overflowing. It showed that deepening its channel would be a job of huge proportions accompanied by many serious legal and physical obstacles. It lifts the town warrant article referring to one phase of the subject, to the most prominent place in the coming town meeting. There must be no hasty action taken but there certainly is need of the most careful investigation and discussion. Roger's brook certainly has the floor this time.

Regarding the other articles in the warrant there is less of importance than for many years. The regular department recommendations are about as usual, and there are few special calls. It is well that there is no loud call for money this year for the tax rate could not go much higher without becoming a menace to town growth.

If every correspondent of the *Townsmen* would pay for indulging his letter writing propensity we would soon be as rich as a part owner in a religious weekly. But none of our esteemed friends need feel obliged to follow the illustrious example in this week's issue. The columns of the *Townsmen* are as free as the air to the courteous, honest correspondent who has something to say that is of interest to the citizens of Andover. It has been thus for many years, and we hope it will continue to be so for many more.

It is easy to err in judgment. Of course there are some men who never do, but the ordinary mortal finds it very easy to do the wrong thing once in a while. Subsequent events have shown that such a mistake was made by the editor of the *Townsmen* when he omitted the publication of the Ballardvale caucus call; and here and now, in the only proper place for such an acknowledgment to be made, the editor is glad to acknowledge his error.

St. Augustine's Concert.

The following program will be rendered at the concert to be given in the Town hall this evening by St. Augustine's church choir assisted by select talent:

Chorus, "Merry Gipsy Band."	Barritt Gounod
Solo, "Sing, Smile and Shimmer."	
Mrs. J. J. Donovan.	Smith
Violin Solo, "Cavatina."	Adams
Mrs. J. J. Donovan.	
Solo, "Hosanna."	Vaughn
Solo, "Sometime."	
Gus Nolan.	Metro
Chorus, "Summer Fancies."	Frank O'Connor
Reading, Selected.	Mascheroni
Solo, "For All Eternity."	
Mrs. William Ledwell.	
Quartet, "Doan ye Cry, my Honey."	
Misses Margaret C. Donovan, soprano, Jennie Driscoll, alto, Messrs. E. J. F. Hemmer, tenor, Gus Nolan, bass.	
Solo, "Where the Sweet Magnolias Bloom."	
John Lyell.	
Piano Solo, "Lenore."	E. J. F. Hemmer
Solo, "Lenore."	Trotter
Chorus, "Yachting Glee."	Culbertson

Reception at Bartlett Hall.

Promoted and conducted by the ladies of the Seminary chapel, the reception held at Bartlett hall, Tuesday evening, was a most successful one. A happy gathering to which the senior class at Phillips academy and many of the young ladies from Abbot, and other invited guests were made welcome.

The rooms were tastefully draped with bunting, and tapestried hangings lent an added bit of color. Professor and Mrs. Moore and Dr. Bancroft and Miss Bancroft received the guests. A program was rendered which was especially pleasing, and consisted of selections by the Phillips Mandolin and Glee clubs, with solos by Mr. Tyler of the latter organization. It is not often that his fellow citizens have the opportunity of hearing Prof. Churchill read and when such a chance presents itself they are glad to make the most of it. The selections chosen by him the other evening were delightful. The Scotch dialect piece, his first reading, was very droll, while his second choice was serious, and his last, "Pastor Morrill's Council," was quite funny.

After the program was completed refreshments were served and a pleasant hour was spent in making one another's acquaintance.

The Townsman's Brownie and the M. P. Rs.

A Reply and a Challenge.

[This article is inserted as an advertisement and is paid for at regular rates.]

"Brownie" has returned. His first appearance was in the Ballard Vale Caucus, and, true to his instincts and by his own confession, he first felt for the hip pocket of one of the attendants. In his report he was about to give himself away, when his chief, who has the morals of the "other side" in his keeping, switched him off on to another track. But still his report shows that all through the caucus his mind was on the contents of the bottle, and that it was from that source he drew his inspiration and figures of speech. As a piece of burlesque the report was fine, but as a report of a public meeting in which about one hundred respectable citizens were interested, it was a disgrace to the town.

But our space is limited, and we must turn from poor "old Brownie" with his "red bandanna" to the "omnipotent" editor, and his protest against the "M. P. Rs.," which means, according to the *Townsmen*, "Moral political reformers." The editor of the fact that the *Townsmen* has published this year regarding the contest in the South district has been in favor of Mr. Stark. It has assisted him both by direct statements in his favor, which it had a perfect right to do if it believed them, and also by false statements regarding the opposition, of which the following are samples:

"To thoroughly appreciate the high ground upon which these moral political reformers stood, let us take in a little of the anti-caucus labor. Let us understand that there are two candidates for the Ballard Vale selectman nomination; that one of them is not wanted by the moral political reformers; that he was requested to go into a caucus of Ballard Vale voters by the chief M. P. R.; that the chief M. P. R. was asked if he was able to give the choice of the caucus, to which he gave a negative answer; that he then emphatically declined to allow his name to be used as a which would meet the very cordial approval of all men without the M. P. R. attachment, who know what is right in politics."

It has been well said that "A half-truth is ever the worst kind of lie." The conversation with Mr. Stark and the plea in Mr. Caffrey's barber-shop, and in his presence. The facts are as follows: When the "chief M. P. R." presented the petition for the caucus to Mr. Stark, he at once refused to sign, saying that he was to be a candidate before the Citizens' caucus, and had talked the matter over with his friends, and they advised him not to go into the Precinct 2 caucus. He was informed that no pledge to abide by the result of the caucus was required of the candidates; that it was simply to register the opinion of the citizens as to who should represent them, and settle the question as to who was preferred by the majority of the voters of Precinct 2. He then asked the question if the "chief M. P. R." would promise to support the successful candidate, and the reply was, "No," and for the reason that if the candidates were not pledged to abide by the result, the supporters of course could not be. Mr. Greene was willing to abide by the decision of the caucus, but it was to serve the caucus to Mr. Stark to ask the opinion of his neighbors, and to remove the objection raised by him, that the candidates were not required to make any pledges, but should be free to run in the regular town caucuses. The only object of the caucus was to let the citizens of Andover, whose votes have elected Mr. Stark, know the sentiment of Ballard Vale. Surely such action is the right of any company of voters under our form of government.

We quote again from the editorial, in order to avoid the charge of misrepresentation.

"With these things very clearly in mind let us go on to the next step in the M. P. R. campaign. It was of course denunciations, and as the editor of the *Townsmen* is always a fair mark, he was the victim. With the statement that he is still alive, but terribly injured (?), we may pass on to the next step. This was in nature of general orders No. 2, and included impassioned appeals to the faithful to go to the Citizens' caucus, and go to the Republican caucus, and never cease to fight until the polls were closed on election day. Three caucuses where pure political demands are, is a pretty hard specimen of moral political reform methods."

"The citizens of Andover will do well to consider carefully before they put much trust in men who have no higher appreciation of what is right and honorable in political matters than such things as this seem to indicate."

In answer to charge number one, it can be said that just what the editor considers "denunciations" is not clear. The chairman of the caucus called the statement of Mr. Stark were "enemies" seeking "an opportunity to vent their spite to the fullest extent," an insult to the voters present. We do not call that denunciation, but simply a calm statement of fact. If the editor wishes to avoid such experiences he should be more sure of his facts.

In answer to charge number two, it should be said that the only reference to any other caucus was by the chairman when he put the motion to adjourn in these words, "All in favor of the motion to adjourn will please rise and go to the caucus Thursday evening and see that the desire of this caucus is carried out." If that conflicts with pure politics, will some fair-minded man explain how and why?

At the Republican caucus held Monday evening the "chief M. P. R." called the attention of the editor and the citizens present to the above facts, and guaranteed to prove, before a committee of citizens, the absolute truthfulness of his statements, and if he failed to do so he offered to make a public apology in the town papers, and if he proved his case the editor was to make the same.

The editor in his reply ignored every point made by the "chief M. P. R.," treating the matter as of no importance, although it involved the reputation of other citizens of the town. With his usual adroitness he changed the topic, and produced the report of the Precinct 2 caucus, which was freely circulated at the Citizens' caucus. This was to him a matter of supreme importance. His righteous soul was stirred to its depths. Never have the citizens of Andover been witnesses to such a blast of fiery indignation.

After it was over men looked at each other as much as to say, "What is it all about? Here is the full text of the offending document. Read it carefully. And as you read it remember

1. That this caucus was held Monday evening, and the Citizens' caucus was to be held Thursday evening of the same week.

2. That this was the only way the citizens of Andover could be informed regarding the action of the caucus.

3. That the *Townsmen* had refused to publish the call for the caucus; the "interests of Ballard Vale being of no importance," according to the editor's own statement from the platform.

4. That the *Townsmen's* spirit of fairness was later shown by the able and impartial (?) report of the caucus given by one of its "brightest reporters," to which reference has already been made.

Citizens' Caucus in Precinct 2.

A Citizens' Caucus was held by the voters of Precinct 2, in Bradlee Hall, Ballard Vale, on Monday evening, February 12.

The call for the caucus was signed by over 100 voters, and was "for the purpose of expressing the opinion of the citizens of Precinct 2 as to who should be their representative on the board of selectmen."

Mr. Stark, the present selectman from this section of the town, had expressed himself in the past as being in favor of this method of choosing a candidate, and said that he was willing to abide by the result of such a caucus, but his supporters were not present.

The caucus was organized with the choice of William Shaw, chairman, and C. N. Marland, clerk.

It was unanimously voted that Charles Greene be the nominee for selectman. No other names were presented, although ample opportunity was given.

It is hoped that the citizens of Andover will assist us in carrying out the wishes of Precinct 2 as declared in this caucus.

If a calmer or more unbiased statement of facts can be made, I would like to see it done. But the editor saw a deep-laid plot to deceive him. He saw writing between the lines. He saw what the chairman and clerk of the caucus who prepared the report could not see.

Why did he see it? Because he is a past master at that very thing. He proved the truth of the statement that an object is always colored by the medium through which it is seen. But that was not all. He discovered a grammatical error, and seized upon it and shook it as a terrier would a rat. We were humiliated. We humbly apologize for the error. But we would remind you that the fact, however imperfectly stated, was not questioned, and cannot be.

And last of all, and this was the climax of his effort, the circular was anonymous. It was a secret document. But it was openly circulated. Had the chairman and clerk thought for a moment that it needed their signatures they would have gladly signed it.

Let me remind you again that the facts were not questioned. As I could have proved in a moment if the debate had not been closed without giving me an opportunity to meet the new charges preferred by the editor. And finally let me say that although ignorant of what further charges the editor might make, I challenge him to an open discussion of the whole question involved in this controversy before "twelve good men and true" as a committee, and the citizens of Andover as witnesses, in the Town Hall any convenient evening before or after the fifth of March, as the further discussion in this form is too profitable to the paper. With high appreciation of the title conferred by the *Townsmen*, I sign myself

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A Few Words
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BROWNIE.

It was a very different appearing Brownie that came into my office this morning from the battered genius of last week. His eye was bright and his step was brisk.

"Well," I queried, "what's up this week, my boy, you are looking better?" "Who wouldn't look better?" was the reply. "I have sat in the lap of twenty men in Ballardvale, and heard each one of them say he'd lick me within an inch of my life if he ever caught me." "But," said Brownie, "the boss is going to get another dose this week, I read it while the little fellow with the big voice was writing it, and he was ugly I tell you. He's going to have it published if it costs a fortune, and he's sent it to a Lawrence paper too, but then he's got money to burn."

I told him we already had the article, and it would be published as ordered, but told him it would probably shut him out this week for lack of room. "Why?" said Brownie, "is the boss to answer it?" "Upon my answering affirmatively he meditated for a few minutes and then said, 'Well, I guess it is best; I thought at first he'd better pay no attention to such a mess of senseless drivel, but I guess he'll say the right thing, goodbye,' and Brownie was away as quickly as he had come."

Dancing Class Reception.

The pupils of Miss Abbie L. Coburn's class in dancing and deportment were given a reception in Pilgrim hall, on the occasion of their last lesson of the term, last Saturday afternoon, from 2 o'clock until 6. Parents and friends of the pupils to the number of a hundred or so were present to watch the young people dance and were much pleased with the proficiency shown.

Miss Coburn, assisted by Miss Minnie Suggart, of Lawrence, received, and the latter presided at the favor table. A "german" was danced for the first hour of the reception, the pretty and intricate figures of which were well carried out by the pupils, from the oldest among them to the little bits of tots who seemed to take just as much interest as their elders. After the "german" various other dances were in order until a quarter to four when refreshments were served to all present by several of the young gentlemen of the class, assisted by other friends. From 4 until 6 o'clock all who wished were invited to dance and many present availed themselves of the opportunity.

The hall was prettily decorated with potted plants by some of the pupils' mothers who were instrumental in arranging and carrying out the reception. Mrs. Albert W. Caldwell and Mrs. J. P. Wakefield were the matrons. Miss Coburn, the teacher who so successfully conducted the class during the term, is from Lawrence. Her pupils presented her with a beautiful bouquet of pink as an expression of their appreciation of her pains-taking efforts as their instructor, and voiced the wish that she might conduct a class another year, in a happily worded note. Among those present were many from Lawrence.

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The Freshet.

The rain yesterday did considerable damage in Andover. Roger's Brook was the highest ever remembered, ensuing from a rain storm. It overflowed its banks at the Richardson field and the whole reservation was inundated; the water extending across Chestnut street also.

It raged and fumed between its banks, around the many turns past the Andover Press, venting its anger on the unoffending stones of its retaining wall. At the lot on the corner of Brooks and Essex streets, it escaped again from its confines and rushed out upon Brooks street and thence down Essex to the depot which became practically isolated as the afternoon wore on. Passengers going and coming from trains were obliged to wade through three or four inches of rushing flood or make 100-g detours.

The crossing and tracks were under water so that all trains were obliged to slow up and go carefully through the depot. Affairs were in the worst shape at that point between three and four o'clock. The concrete sidewalk around the bend on Essex street just before getting to the depot was badly undermined and broken, while the roadbed in the vicinity was washed out to a considerable extent and left in a bad condition.

A washout, caused by the overflow of Poor's pond in Frye Village, caused the electric cars some difficulty early in the afternoon.

At Abbott Village, a bad gully was cut on the hill below the depot and other places in the Village were well washed out. The cellars of many houses about town were flooded and property everywhere was damaged in many ways. The storm did not moderate a bit too soon to prevent very much more serious effects.

Wedding.

FRASER-VANNETT.

A pretty wedding took place at the residence of James Fraser on Poor street Wednesday evening, when the former's brother, Alexander L. Fraser, of Revere, was joined in marriage to Annie W. Vannett, of Frye Village. Rev. F. A. Wilson performed the ceremony in the presence of numerous relations and friends from Andover, Boston, Lowell, Lawrence, Cambridge and Revere.

The bride wore white muslin over white satin and carried bride roses. Miss Jessie B. Gordon, the bride's cousin, who acted as bridesmaid, was similarly gowned and carried red roses. A brother of the groom, Lieut. Hugh Fraser, of the Revere fire department, was the best man and little Norman G. Fraser was the flower boy.

The couple were the recipients of many beautiful and valuable presents. After a reception and lunch, Mr. and Mrs. Fraser left on a wedding tour. They will be at home after April 10th at Crescent Villa, Waverley avenue, Revere. The groom formerly resided in Andover.

ABBOTT VILLAGE.

Rev. F. A. Wilson will deliver an address on "A Trip Along the West Coast of Scotland" before the Burns club at their regular meeting to-morrow evening.

Samuel Harris arrived at New York last Saturday on the "Campania" after a year's sojourn in Scotland. His family will follow him in the spring.

The lecture which was to have been given by Joseph Kimball of Groveland, on "Queer ways of making money," in Abbott Village hall, Tuesday evening, under the auspices of the Burns club, was postponed until next week Tuesday.

Obituary.

MRS. CATHERINE SWEENEY.

By the sudden death of Mrs. Catherine Sweeney, wife of Roger Sweeney of North Main street, the town loses another of its older residents. The deceased was born in Ireland in 1830 and her maiden name was Catherine McCarthy. She has lived in Andover 47 years and has been a faithful wife and loving mother.

Death resulted from apoplexy, after an illness of only two days, occurring, Tuesday evening. She is survived by her husband, two sons, one of whom is with the firm of DeCourcy & Coulson, lawyers at Lawrence, and three daughters.

The funeral was held from St. Augustine's church, Thursday morning at 9 o'clock. Burial was in St. Augustine's cemetery.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

Smith, Boutwell and Stark Carry Off the Nominations. A Lively Tilt Occurs between Wm. Shaw and the Townsman Editor.

"The best Republican caucus ever held in Andover" was the verdict of one who has attended them for the past forty years, in speaking of the caucus last Monday night. At any rate it was certainly as lively and stirring as one could wish and was very largely attended. The balloting resulted in the nomination of two Republicans and one Democrat on the board of selectmen, John S. Stark defeating Charles Greene by four votes and B. Frank Smith winning the nomination over William G. Goldsmith by 22 votes. In the latter case the final struggle at the polls in March is likely to be a hot one and it will be difficult to predict who is to be the successful man. Joseph T. Lovejoy easily defeated George W. Chandler for road surveyor. The only other office where there was apparently to be any chance for a contest was that of tree warden, for which Charles L. Carter was nominated by John E. Smith, the nomination being seconded by Louis A. Dane who was named for this place at the citizens' caucus, but has since withdrawn his name. Mr. Smith in placing Mr. Carter's name in nomination offered an apology to the caucus for having stated at the previous caucus that a park commissioner could hold no other office and that Mr. Carter was therefore not eligible for the place. He said he found that this had been changed by a later act.

The caucus was called to order at 7.45 o'clock by Chairman John N. Cole of the Republican town committee who read the caucus call. Organization was finally completed with the choice of John N. Cole as chairman and George A. Higgins as clerk. Apparently no one wished to take the office as fully a dozen names, including Mr. Cole's were mentioned before the latter was induced to take the chair.

Upon a motion by Peter D. Smith the caucus proceeded to ballot for a nominee for selectman from the centre district. Albert Poor moved that the check list be used. The chair appointed Arthur Bliss, William Shaw and Lewis T. Hardy as checkers. Barnett Rogers and F. S. Boutwell were appointed as counters.

After the ballot for the nominee from the Centre district, Arthur Bliss moved and the motion prevailed that Samuel H. Boutwell be nominated by acclamation as selectman from the West district.

William Shaw of Ballardvale, arose after this motion was put and stated that he had something to say and told the chairman that if he said anything of too personal a nature, he, the chairman, could stop him. Mr. Shaw then took a Townsman of last week's issue from his pocket and after quoting from the editorial column, characterized the statement made therein as "absolutely false." He said that he was prepared to prove them so and that whatever he said was said "in justice to Mr. Greene, who was a true and loyal citizen, in order that the voters of Andover may see what the sentiment of the people of Ballardvale is in relation to the two candidates."

He went on to tell of a conversation which he held with Mr. Stark in the barber shop of Owen Caffrey who could prove his statements. He said he presented Mr. Stark with a petition for a caucus to find out the feeling of the people of Ballardvale. He said that Mr. Stark would not sign the petition as he had consulted with his friends and intended to go into the citizens' caucus at Andover. Mr. Shaw said he told him that it would not interfere with his doing so and that he understood Mr. Stark had expressed himself in former years as in favor of such a caucus. "Mr. Stark asked me," he said, "if I would abide by the result of such caucus and I said 'no, for if the candidates are not pledged to abide by the result of the caucus it is of no use for the rest of us to agree to do so.' Then Mr. Stark said he would not let his name be used." Referring again to a statement in the editorial column of the Townsman, Mr. Shaw said "And that is a case where a half truth is worse than a lie." He said further that one of the statements referring to the caucus at Ballardvale was an insult to every voter present at the caucus held in Ballardvale. He quoted a portion of the editorial which began, "With the statement that he (the editor) is still alive but terribly injured (?) and said that of course this was not true and on being reminded by Mr. Cole that there was an interrogation mark after the remark said 'Yes, the remark is questioned' just as I question all these statements." Mr. Shaw concluded by denying that he told his followers to "go to the citizens' caucus and go to the Republican caucus, and never cease to fight till the polls were closed on election day," and said that he simply told them to go to the caucus next Thursday evening if they were in favor of the motion to adjourn, and to register their opinion in opposition to John S. Stark as a representative of the South district of the town.

When he concluded Mr. Cole called Mr. Shaw into the chair. He said, "Gentleman, I am sorry to have you troubled with this petty piece of business," and went on to tell what queries and quotation marks mean when they appear in a newspaper article. Referring to a statement made by Mr. Shaw to the effect "that we would not stoop to misrepresentation; everyone of our actions is honest and above board," Mr. Cole said, "Consider a little paper that was passed around at the citizens' caucus last Thursday evening. A paper similar to that which has been mailed to many people in this town within the last two or three days. A paper which if I am not mistaken was written pretty near to one of the best houses in Ballardvale. Turning to Mr. Shaw, he asked, 'Did you write that circular (holding up the circular in question)?' "I did."

"Did you help to have that circular placed in the hall last Thursday night, did you know about the intention of placing it there?" "I did."

"Gentlemen, there is no more contemptible thing in the world than the man who hides himself behind an anonymous circular," said Mr. Cole, and he continued by exposing the evident intentional misrepresentations made in the circular, showing that it was clearly intended to mislead the people of Andover. Referring to the statement in the circular that claimed 100 voters had signed the call, he called particular attention to the ingenious manner in which it was made to appear that that number of persons were present and voted unanimously to nominate Mr. Greene, when there were in reality only 48 voters registered.

He furthermore stated that he was not ashamed of what he had written, and said that he wrote the article in the Townsman which had given Mr. Shaw so much uneasiness. Mr. Shaw who appeared very ill at ease, denied several statements made by Mr. Cole in the course of his remarks, and asked him at one time if he did not refuse to publish a notice of the caucus at Ballardvale sent him. Mr. Cole replied that he did. When asked why, he said that it was none of his nor anyone else's business. He had been given charge of the paper, who alone had any power to question its conduct, and had carried it on for thirteen years without being found fault with by them, and one of the rules governing the communications sent to the paper was that they should come through the hands of the regular correspondents and be approved by them. The communication referred to was not so sent and when read was not considered to be of much interest except to the people of Ballardvale and they knew about the caucus anyway, therefore it was not published. Mr. Shaw then asked, "So you do not consider the people of Ballardvale of any account?" Mr. Cole replied that he said nothing of the sort, that he simply referred to the caucus which neither the representative from that section nor himself considered of sufficient interest to cause a great deal of spread being made over it. Mr. Cole concluded by saying that he had not come there prepared to make any replies to such charges, but to nominate town officers, and he believed the voters would make their choice without any dictation from either the Townsman or anonymous circulars.

After he was through Mr. Shaw wanted a chance to reply, but the motion to proceed to ballot made by John L. Smith prevailed and the polls were opened.

The result of the caucus in detail was as follows:—For selectmen,—Centre district, B. Frank Smith, 108; William G. Goldsmith, 86; West district, S. H. Boutwell; South district, John S. Stark, 101; Charles Greene, 97.

 "Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the day,
 (Oh what fun it is to ride in a one horse, open sleigh.)"
 PROVIDED you have the Sleigh. Your old last summer's horse will do just as well as any other. It doesn't make much difference, though, whether the sleigh is open or closed, as long as it's a sleigh. That's where we enter into the equation; we are prepared to furnish the
SLEIGHS
 We have a NEW LOT of
 Elegant Ones.
4 STYLES All Easy Running,
 Including Comfortable and Stylish
TOP SLEIGHS Prices Right
 On Exhibition at the Show Rooms in Our
NEW SHOP on Park Street.
AREN'T YOU
 having hard work to keep your horse sharp just now?
 The Calks we put on your horse's shoes will last as long as
 any others and will not cost you any more.
Horse Shoeing and Jobbing
 Scientifically and Expediently attended to by expert work-
 men in our Smithery.
TUTTLE & MORRISON,
 Carriage and Wagon Builders,
 Horseshoers and Jobbers,
THE NEW SHOP PARK STREET

Highway surveyor—Joseph T. Lovejoy, 110; George W. Chandler, 38.
 Town Clerk and Tax Collector—Abraham Marland.
 Treasurer—George A. Parker.
 School committee, three years—J. Newton Cole, William Shaw, George D. Pettie.
 Board of Public Works, three years—John L. Smith.
 Park Commissioner, three years—Albert Poor.
 Board of Health—John A. Leitch, M.D.
 Constables—George W. Mears, William L. Frye, John W. Fallows, Jr.
 Trustee Memorial Hall, seven years—C. C. Carpenter.
 Auditors—(J. W. Bell moved and motion was carried that two be nominated instead of three as heretofore)—G. A. Higgins, C. B. Jenkins.
 Trustee of Cornell Fund, three years—F. E. Gleason.
 Tree Warden—Charles L. Carter.
 Moderator—George H. Poor.

The Nominees.

For Selectmen—
 Centre district—B. Frank Smith, Rep., William G. Goldsmith, Cit.
 West district—S. H. Boutwell, Rep., and Cit.
 South district—John S. Stark, Rep., and Cit.
 For Highway Surveyor—
 Joseph T. Lovejoy, Rep., and Cit.
 For Clerk and Tax Collector—
 Abraham Marland, Rep., and Cit.
 For Treasurer—
 George A. Parker, Rep., and Cit.
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CLEVER THOUGHTS OF A CLEVER WOMAN.

A kiss through a veil is like champagne through a straw.
 Chaperones are counter irritants to produce matrimony.
 Men never really love their babies. They only respect them for their family connections.
 There is a charm about another fellow's widow that few men can associate with their own.
 A girl never quite forgives a man for kissing her nose by mistake.
 Hammocks are webs in which cupid gives an imitation of a spider.
 Many a chap who looks like a Greek god has been refused by some snub-class illustration for domestic use.—
 New York Herald.

To Cure Constipation Forever.
 Take Cascarella Candy Cathartic, 10c or 25c.
 If C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money

Mock Town Meeting.

The next meeting of the Grange on Feb. 28, will be a mock town meeting. Some of the articles in the Grange warrant will be as follows:

Article 1. To see if the town will furnish an automobile hockey-poke to be used at the centre and West Parish and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

Article 2. To see if the town of Andover will annex the town of Tewksbury, and have the same laid out for a park, or to be used for any other purpose that is deemed advisable, on petition of J. A. Morrill and two others.

Article 3. To see if the town will build a fence twenty feet high around Haggatts Pond and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

Article 4. To see if the town will furnish automobiles to transport the school children from the districts to the centre and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

Article 5. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to purchase a steam roller on petition of Joseph Lovejoy and others.

Article 6. To see if the town will furnish a fire engine and house for the same for each of the seven out-lying districts and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

Article 7. To see if the town of Andover will cede Ballardvale to Wilmington.

Article 8. To see if the town will exempt all farm property from taxation.

Article 9. To transact any other business that may properly come before the Grange.

Senior Assembly at Punchard.

About eighty people attended the assembly given by the senior class of Punchard at the school hall Thursday evening, the stormy weather seeming to have little effect in keeping anyone at home. The hall was elaborately decorated, the prevailing colors being purple, violet and white. Purple and white festoons of crepe paper were suspended from the ceiling, purple and white shades enclosed the incandescent bulbs and violet "1900" banners were placed around the sides of the hall, on the order and lemonade table. On the floor "1900" in wax was outlined before the grand march disturbed it.

The matrons were Mrs. F. O. Baldwin, Miss M. E. H. Dorn, Mrs. N. H. Perkins and Mrs. C. A. Newhall. Misses Helena M. Lindsay, Lillian S. Berry, Marguerite Newhall, Frank C. Perkins and George I. Rhodes acted as a committee of arrangements. The two latter assisted by Benj. Smith, Jr., had charge of the floor.

At 8.30 the grand march was started, led by Frank C. Perkins and Miss Helena M. Lindsay, followed by about thirty couples. Music was furnished by the Columbian orchestra and dancing continued until 11.30 o'clock.

Among the out of town attendants were a number from Lawrence, North Andover and Haverhill.

During intermission refreshments were served by Caterer Rhodes. Miss Agnes Gillen, Miss Sallie Pratt and Miss Katie Walsh were in charge of the lemonade table.

Married.

In Andover, February 21, by Rev. Frederick A. Wilson, Mr. Alexander L. Fraser of Revere and Miss Annie W. Vannett of Andover.

LAWRENCE.

James J. Harney of Newburyport is visiting in town.

Rev. George C. Miller of Haverhill street is ill at his home.

John Farrell of Lowell street is recovering from his recent illness.

Mrs. B. Rowell of Lynn is visiting C. H. Merrill of Manchester street.

Mr. and Mrs. George C. Emerson of Bangor, Me., are visiting friends in this city.

Rev. Thomas Lee has returned to his duties after visiting his parents in this city.

A son was born Sunday to Mr. and Mrs. William G. Clark of South Broadway.

Mrs. T. G. McGregor of Berkeley street has returned from a visit in Springfield.

George T. Porter, son of the stable keeper left for Paris Saturday to continue his art studies.

Miss Agnes G. Westby of Berkeley street is now able to be out after her recent illness.

Miss Eva A. Winthrop of Troy, N. Y., is spending a few days with relatives in this city.

Mrs. Clarke of Bangor, Me., is visiting her daughter, Miss Carrie Jennings of Broadway.

W. P. Hovey, the banjoist, played at the Colonial club in Cambridge Saturday evening.

A daughter was born last week to Mr. and Mrs. James Kinsella of South Union street.

Mayor James F. Leonard will attend a meeting of the Mayor's club in Boston next Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Robinson of Chicago are spending a few days with relatives in this city.

Miss Maria C. Daly of Elm street has been detained at her home for the past 10 days with a heavy cold.

Fred Flathers, formerly a clerk for Logue & Barry, butter dealers has purchased the business.

Miss Alice M. Marshall, of Haverhill, has returned to her home after a brief stay with acquaintances in town.

William J. and John F. O'Connor of Hancock, Mich., are the guests of their uncle, P. O'Connor of Willow street.

Patrick W. Banville, formerly in the employ of Wurzbacher & Co., has embarked in business for himself on Park street.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Makant of Somerville spent Sunday at the home of the former's brother, John Makant of Coolidge street.

Miss Flora Curtis, a former resident, has returned from a 10 months' visit in England and is visiting at the home of her uncle, William D. Curtis on Broadway.

Miss Eunice A. Warburton, the talented soprano balladist, of this city, sang at an entertainment given in connection with the Father Mathew society's fair in Webster, Monday evening, and made a very favorable impression on her hearers. She was obliged to respond to repeated encores.

FALL COLDS

They Are Dangerous Because Hard to Cure.

VERY LIKELY TO LAST ALL WINTER.

We Know Something that Cures All Pulmonary Troubles.

IT IS OUR GREAT TONIC RECONSTRUCTOR, VINOL.

There seems to be an epidemic of colds.

It is strange how many people start in with a cold that they have contracted during the autumn months. Such colds are dangerous, for unless cured when the weather is warm it is very difficult to get rid of them when really inclement weather appears.

Do not, if you have a cold, go through this winter and let it pull you down. A racking cough may be the means of undermining your constitution, terminating in consumption, when there will be no hope for escape.

Cod-Liver Oil has always been the greatest known specific for consumption. Naturally Cod-Liver Oil has been given for colds which are regarded by many people as the first stage of this disease. There is no need of our telling you the drawbacks of Cod-Liver Oil; the vile, greasy mixture was so repellent that not more than one person in ten could take it. But Cod-Liver Oil did cure where it could be taken.

Now we have a cod-liver oil preparation that cures just as surely as did this vile remedy. We refer to Vinol. Anybody can take Vinol. It tastes delicious, and because it contains the active curative principles that made Cod-Liver Oil famous as the specific for consumption and other wasting diseases, it will be readily seen how valuable it is for all such troubles.

Here is one letter taken from many that are continually coming to our notice. Mrs. E. Coghlan, 122 Putnam Ave., Cambridgeport, Mass., says:

"Last September I contracted a heavy cold which terminated with tonsillitis, and later the grip. All winter I had a dreadful cough, and the doctor advised me to take several things, among them Cod-Liver Oil. I tried it for several months without obtaining relief. At last I heard of Vinol and gave it a trial. Five bottles cured me and I have had no troubles since."

When we talk of Vinol, we know of what we speak, and will refund your money if you are not satisfied.

E. M. & W. A. Allen
Musgrove Block

Miss Jennie Lovell of Bradford is visiting in town.

Mrs. Fred Osgood is ill at her home on White street.

John Breen, Jr., was a visitor in Providence, R. I., yesterday.

Joseph Walsh of Bunkerhill street has gone to Concord on a trip.

Rev. Fr. McManus celebrated his first mass at Brookline, Sunday.

Charles H. Rowe of Kennebunk, Me., is in town on business.

Miss Rose A. Devine is confined to her home on Prospect hill.

William Cowie of Tremont street is recovering from his recent illness.

Miss Amy L. Phillips of Manchester, N. H., is visiting friends in this city.

Dr. Bernard McGrath of Beverly, has returned from a visit to Dr. McAvoy.

Miss Holden of Lowell has returned home after visiting on Saunders street.

Miss Josephine Sweeney of Chestnut street has returned from a visit in Boston.

A son was born Monday to Mr. and Mrs. John T. Hargath of 88 Andover street.

William H. Burnham, the insurance agent is confined to his home on Broadway with rheumatism.

Mrs. James Bradley is recovering from a recent severe attack of pneumonia. She has been removed from the general hospital to her home.

24th ANNUAL REPORT.

The twenty-fourth annual report of the Ladies' Union Charitable society, representing the work of the Lawrence General hospital, training school for nurses, directory for nurses, and children's home, has just been issued and contains the reports and statements of the various officers of the organization.

A complete list of the officers and committees of the society is also embodied in the report and the medical staff gives a complete statement of the number and variety of diseases and accidents received and treated at the institution.

A complete list of the donations, with the names of the donors, to the hospital and home from Oct. 1, 1898, to Oct. 1, 1899, is also given, as is the full list of the names of the active members of Ladies' Union Charitable society.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 50c. 50c. If C. C. C. cure, druggists refund money.

HE DIED SUDDENLY.

John Gardner Currier chief of police at Woburn, passed away Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock after a short illness at the home of his cousin Mrs. James J. Hughes of Lawrence street, where he had been visiting for the past week. The deceased was 43 years of age and besides his widow leaves one daughter.

Mr. Currier was visiting his cousin, that he might have a short rest from his duties and although he had been confined to his room for a few days, his death was not expected, and doubtless it will be a great shock to those who knew him.

MILES MEMBERSHIP BANQUET.

The winners of the Y. M. C. A. membership contest held their banquet at the Franklin house Tuesday night. The contest inaugurated in October terminated February 1st, at 8 o'clock. The Miles winning by 230 points. At 8:30 the lucky members, headed by Secretary Sweeney proceeded to the Franklin house. Before proceeding to the dining room a pleasing entertainment was rendered in the parlor:

Piano solo, Rodney Ball

Violin solo, John Ward

Song, J. Robertson

Violin solo, Herman Lehn

After the entertainment the party proceeded to the dining hall where a bountiful repast was served by nine hosts of the Franklin house.

Weiss, leader of the "Miles" acted as toast master, the following toasts being responded to:

The "Deweys," William Warden

The "Miles," Charles Taylor

Ode on the "Deweys," Missy "Liza" Journalism, Rodney Ball

The Dear Girls, Thomas Howard

Thomas Heskett gave an interesting talk on his experience during the Spanish war. The affair closed by a stump speech by Mike Squier. Certainly the Miles were well paid for their untiring efforts.

HE FOOLED THE SURGEONS.

All doctors told Renick Hamilton of West Jefferson, O., after suffering 18 months from Rectal Fistula, he would die unless a costly operation was performed; but he cured himself with five boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the surest Pile cure on Earth, and the best Salve in the World. 25 cents a box. Sold by Arthur Bliss, Druggist.

HE FOOLED THE SURGEONS.

A dear old lady who lived up on Marshall street died suddenly the other day. Her death was completely unexpected—in fact the evening before she died she had been persuaded to speak into the receiver of a phonograph owned by her son-in-law. It turned out to be a remarkably good record, and as she sang her favorite hymn into the phonograph the reproduction was perfect.

Now, there is a colored girl in the family who possesses all the superstitions of her race. A couple of days after the funeral she was dusting the furniture in the sitting room when she inadvertently turned the switch that started the phonograph. As luck would have it, the cylinder was the one containing the old lady's hymn, and it rang out with startling distinctness. The colored girl stood rooted to the spot, gasping for breath. It was fully a minute before she quite recovered her faculties and then, with a yell of, "Foh de good Lawd's sake! Missy 'Liza's come back!" she ran down stairs. No amount of explaining could convince her that there was nothing supernatural about it, so she took her clothes and went.

The American bridee is flinging its majestic spans and arches across the rivers of many lands—Egypt, Siberia, Japan, China, Peru and others—and a group of 26 skilled American builders has just departed for Rangoon, British India, where an American company has one of its construction in progress.

Arthur Bliss, Andover; and C. H. Shattuck, Ballardvale; guarantee every bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and will refund the money to any one who is not satisfied after using two-thirds of the contents. This is the best remedy in the world for la grippe, coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough and is pleasant and safe to take. It prevents any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia.

Y. M. C. Carnival.

Despite the elements many ventured out to witness the annual gymnasium carnival of the local Y. M. C. A. last Saturday evening in the association's gymnasium on Appleton street. At 8 o'clock the carnival opened with music by the orchestra followed by an interesting exhibition of rope shooting by the gymnasium members under Physical Instructor Richard Fox. Henry Champey, a local bicycle rider, gave a ten mile exhibition on a home trainer. Fred Bann then gave a corn solo.

After an amusing tramp drill by the Y. M. C. A. members, H. L. Deitz gave a fine exhibition of torch swinging. This was done with hall in complete darkness and was extremely effective. The Juniors then gave an exhibition of Buck work followed by a piano solo by Miss Josie M. Kline. Some excellent horizontal and parallel bar practice was next presented, participated in by Robt. Dyson, Thos. Heskett, Chas. Taylor, John Gibbs, R. H. Fox, M. Squier, Paul Rauschenbach, physical instructor at Brown university, and Harry Pratt of Brown. Thos. Pearson, Jerome Fields, C. E. Foster and H. L. Deitz of the Lowell Y. M. C. A. gave an interesting exhibition of tumbling. Some very clever bag punching was done by M. Brooks. After a mandolin solo by Frank Barrett, the carnival was concluded by fencing between Harry Pratt and Paul Rauschenbach. The whole affair was all very highly successful and reflected great credit on the carnival committee: Messrs. Heskett, Johnson, Brewster, Dyson and Taylor.

DISCOVERED BY A WOMAN.

Another great discovery has been made, and that too, by a woman in this country. "Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly, and could not sleep. She finally discovered a way to recovery, by purchasing of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and was so much relieved on taking the first dose, that she slept all night, and with two bottles, has been absolutely cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz." Thus writes W. C. Hannick & Co., of Shelby, N. O. Trial bottles free at Arthur Bliss' Drug Store.

Regular size 50c. and \$1.00. Every bottle guaranteed.

COMPANY L THE WINNER.

In the first game between the militia companies of the state, Co. L defeated the representatives of Co. C. of Lowell in a well contested basketball game at the armory. Owing to the storm the attendance was small. The score was 10 to 2. W. Lyons of Co. L made the 2 for the Lowellites, both from the floor. There were two fouls upon each team. The game was a clean contest all through. Lieut. J. E. Connors, manager for L, acted as time keeper, with B. W. Chandler manager for C. Samuel Gamble and James McCarthy were the referees. Friday evening next the Co. L team goes to Lowell to play C team again. Saturday evening Co. D team comes to Lawrence and in the near future, the track team of the circuit, D of Fitchburg, comes to Lawrence.

To Cure Nervousness in One Week

To Cure Constipation in One Week

To Cure Indigestion in One Week

To Purify the Blood in One Week

Take Cleveland's Celery Compound Tea, 25c. If it fails to cure, we will cheerfully refund your money. (Trial size free.)

Arthur Bliss, Druggist.

HOLDING THE LADDER.

From the Universalist Leader. A workman in Cooper Institute having occasion to ascend a ladder to do some repairing in one of the public rooms called to an old man whom he happened to see standing by watching him: "Here old fellow hold the ladder for me won't you?" The "old fellow" started forward and held the ladder for the workman while he climbed up and did his work. "That unpretentious and willing old man says the Independent was Peter Cooper." It was just like him. Peter Cooper's aim in life and in the beneficent institution founded by him might well be characterized by the words Holding the Ladder. Thousands of rightly ambitious men and women owe the possibility of their advancement to Peter Cooper. He has held and still holds the ladder and hundreds upon hundreds of successful and grateful climbers as they rise bless his memory. We cannot all build such a ladder as Cooper Union but we can hold the ladder somewhere somehow for somebody.

A recent discovery in the Vatican library, among some 11th century manuscripts, was a set of maps of the time of Ptolemy, the geographer.

S. S. S. GOES TO THE BOTTOM.

Promptly Reaches the Seat of all Blood Diseases and Cures the Worst Cases.

In every test made S. S. S. easily demonstrates its superiority over other blood remedies. It matters not how obstinate the case, nor what other treatment or remedies have failed, S. S. S. always promptly reaches and cures any disease where the blood is in any way involved. Everyone who has had experience with blood diseases knows that there are no ailments or troubles so obstinate and difficult to cure. Very few remedies claim to cure such real, deep-seated blood diseases as S. S. S. cures, and none can offer such incontrovertible evidence of merit. S. S. S. is not merely a tonic—it is a cure! It goes down to the very seat of all blood diseases, and gets at the foundation of the very worst cases, and routes the poison from the system. It does not, like other remedies, dry up the poison and hide it from view temporarily, only to break forth again more violently than ever; S. S. S. forces out every trace of taint, and rids the system of it forever.

Mrs. T. W. Lee, Montgomery, Ala., writes: "Some years ago I was inoculated with poison by a nurse who infected my babe with blood taint. I was covered with sores and ulcers from head to foot, and in my great extremity I prayed to die. Several prominent physicians treated me, but all to no purpose. The mercury and potash which they gave me seemed to add fuel to the awful flame which was devouring me. I was advised by friends who had seen wonderful cures made by it, to try Swift's Specific. I improved from the start, as the medicine seemed to go directly to the cause of the trouble and force the poison out. Twenty bottles cured me completely." Swift's Specific—

S. S. S. FOR THE BLOOD

—is the only remedy that is guaranteed purely vegetable, and contains no mercury, potash, arsenic, or any other mineral or chemical. It never fails to cure Cancer, Eczema, Scrofula, Rheumatism, Contagious Blood Poison, Tetters, Boils, Carbuncles, Sores, etc.

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Lawton and His Death.

Letter of the late Lieut. Ward Cheney. When he had them pulled out of bed at 3 in the morning to march till sunrise and then fight on empty stomachs, they never murmured for they were doing it all for Lawton. Because they had such absolute confidence in him as to let them to do marvels of work. He was accustomed to eating soldier's food and even to sleeping on the ground, or in dirty old huts, never for one moment considering his personal comfort. His great forte in this campaign was the flank attack. While his main force was attacking a trench from the front, he would send out flanking parties to pour in murderous fire before the Filipinos could get away. He died the death of a brave soldier. It was up at San Mateo above Marikina not far from the place where poor Jack Gregg was killed last April. He was bending over young Breckenridge, who was shot through the body, when he suddenly exclaimed, "Gee! I'm hit." "Is it a bad one?" asked Breckenridge. "Yes, it's pretty bad," he said, and in another minute he was dead. There is nobody in the army to take his place. The people of the United States will surely realize that their army has lost a great general and tributes to his name will not be lacking.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

ESSEX, SS.

PROBATE COURT.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of John B. Abbott, late of Andover in said County, deceased. Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for probate by Mary Caroline Abbott, Stephen E. Abbott, and Maria G. Pierce, who pray that letters testamentary may be issued to them, the executors therein named, without giving a surety on their official bonds:

And said petitioners are hereby directed to give public notice thereof by publishing this citation once in each week for three successive weeks in the ANDOVER TOWNSMAN, a newspaper published in Andover, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Rollin E. Harmon, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twelfth day of February, in the year one thousand nine hundred.

J. T. MAHONEY, Register.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

ESSEX, SS.

PROBATE COURT.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Hannah A. Jaquith, late of Andover, in said County, single woman, deceased. Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for probate, by James R. Jaquith who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond:

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Salem in said county of Essex, on the fifth day of March, A. D. 1900, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof by publishing this citation once in each week for three successive weeks in the ANDOVER TOWNSMAN, a newspaper published in Andover, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.

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ESSEX, SS.

PROBATE COURT.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Mary A. Fenlason, late of Andover, in said County, wife of Charles F. Fenlason, deceased. Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for probate, by Colver J. Stone, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond:

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BOSTON AND MAINE RAILROAD.

Winter Arrangement, in effect Oct. 2, 1899.

ANDOVER TO BOSTON. A. M. 6.50 acc. ar. in Boston
7.30 ex. ar. 8.20; 7.45 acc. ar. 8.30; 8.05 acc.
ar. 8.51; 8.21 acc. ar. 8.54; 8.29 acc. ar. 10.30;
10.28 acc. ex. ar. 11.03; 11.10 acc. ar. 12.02 P. M.
12.11 ex. ar. 12.45; 12.57 acc. ar. 1.32; 1.18 acc.
ar. 2.12; 2.49 acc. ar. 3.41; 4.18 acc. ar. 5.13; 5.46
acc. ar. 6.42; 7.15 acc. ar. 8.06; 8.42 acc. ar. 10.30.
SUNDAY: A. M. 7.45 ar. 8.31; 8.33 ar. 9.27; 12.21
ar. 1.20; P. M. 4.26 ar. 5.18; 5.53 ar. 6.55; 6.57 ar.
7.56; 7.43 ar. 8.22; 7.55 ar. 8.56.

All accommodation.
BOSTON TO ANDOVER. A. M. 5.59 acc. ar. in
Andover, 6.55; 7.30 acc. ar. 8.19; 9.25 acc. ar.
10.24; 10.25 acc. ar. 11.28; 11.50 ex. ar. 12.40; 12.35
ex. ar. 1.00; 2.15 ex. ar. 3.02; 3.30 ex. ar. 4.08;
3.39 acc. ar. 4.41; 5.14 ex. ar. 5.50; 6.32 acc. ar.
6.25; 6.41 ex. ar. 6.49; 6.35 acc. ar. 7.31; 7.02 acc.
ar. 7.53; 9.39 acc. ar. 10.22; 11.15 acc. ar. 11.58.
SUNDAY: A. M. 8.00 acc. ar. 9.02; 12.00 ar. 12.48. P. M.
2.15 acc. ar. 3.05; 5.00 acc. ar. 6.00; 6.00 ex. ar.
6.45; 7.12 acc. ar. 8.09.

ANDOVER TO LOWELL. A. M. 7.43 arrive in
Lowell 8.34; 8.21 ar. 8.49; 9.29 ar. 10.37;
10.33 ar. 11.09; 11.10 ar. 11.41. P. M. 12.37
ar. 1.08; 2.49 ar. 3.19; 4.18 ar. 4.55; 5.46 ar. 6.20;
7.15 ar. 7.48; 8.42 ar. 10.40. SUNDAY: A. M. 8.33 ar.
9.17; P. M. 12.21 ar. 1.02; 4.26 ar. 4.57; 5.53 ar. 6.25;
7.55 ar. 8.25.

LOWELL TO ANDOVER. A. M. 6.50 ar. 8.19; 8.30
ar. 8.57; 9.25 ar. 10.21; 10.50 ar. 11.28. P. M. 12.05
ar. 12.40; 2.30 ar. 3.02; 3.30 ar. 4.41; 5.15 ar.
5.50; 6.15 ar. 6.49; 7.00 ar. 7.31; 9.25 ar. 10.22;
11.29 ar. 11.58. SUNDAY: A. M. 8.15 ar. 8.15
9.02. P. M. 12.05 ar. 12.45; 5.30 ar. 6.06; 7.45 ar.
8.03.

WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS.
ANDOVER TO LAWRENCE. A. M. 6.55, 8.19, 8.57,
10.24, 11.28. P. M. 12.40, 1.00, 3.02, 4.08, 4.41,
5.50, 6.25, 6.49, 7.31, 7.51, 10.22, 11.58. SUNDAY,
A. M. 9.02. P. M. 12.48, 3.05, 6.06, 6.45, 8.03.

LAWRENCE TO ANDOVER. A. M. 7.40, 7.25,
7.30, 7.55, 8.07, 8.40, 9.10, 10.55, 11.25.
P. M. 12.25, 1.00, 2.30, 3.05, 3.35, 7.08, 7.32.
SUNDAY: A. M. 7.25, 8.15. P. M. 12.10, 1.20,
3.35, 4.40, 7.37, 7.48.

ANDOVER TO SALEM, MASS. A. M. 6.50, 8.47;
7.43 ar. 8.40; P. M. 12.40 ar. 1.57; 1.18 ar. 2.33;
5.09 ar. 7.00; 5.46 ar. 6.54.

SALEM TO ANDOVER, MASS. A. M. 7.00 ar. 8.21;
7.00 ar. 8.19, 10.30 ar. 11.28, 11.20 ar. 12.37. P. M.
12.01 ar. 13.02; 4.15 ar. 5.50; 6.35 ar. 6.45; 6.00
ar. 7.15.

GOING EAST. A. M. 6.55, 8.21, 8.19, 8.57,
10.24, 11.28. P. M. 12.40, 1.00, 3.02, 4.08, 4.41,
5.50, 6.15, 6.49, 7.00, 7.31, 7.51, 10.22, 11.58.
WEEK-DAY TIME.

GOING NORTH, VIA MANCHESTER. A. M. 8.19,
P. M. 1.00, 3.02, 5.50. SUNDAYS: 9.02 ar. in, 12.48
and 6.45 p. m.

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9.30 a. m. from Boston, New York, South, West,
and Lawrence.

1.15 p. m., Lawrence, North Andover, Haverhill,
East and North.

2.30 p. m. from Boston, New York, South, West,
and Lawrence.

4.45 p. m. from Boston, New York, South, West,
and Lawrence.

5.30 p. m. from Boston, New York, South, West,
and Lawrence.

7.30 p. m. from Boston, New York, South, West,
and Lawrence.

7.45 p. m. from Lawrence, North Andover, Hav-
erhill, and East.

MAILS-CLOSE.

4.30 a. m. for North Andover, Haverhill and East.

7 a. m. for Boston, New York, South and West.

Around the County.

COUNTY NOTES.

The Island Home cottage, owned by
Henry Dresser of Haverhill and situa-
ted at Plum Island point, was broken
into last week and several articles tak-
en.

Ex-Representative Leander M. Has-
kins of Rockport sailed from New York
Saturday for Europe. He will visit
Egypt, Palestine, Persia, Italy, France
Monte Carlo and London.

The Lynn police raided a faro bank
in that city last evening and arrested
10 players beside seizing a valuable
layout. The game was in progress in
the upper floor of the Sagamore build-
ing on Union street.

Walter A. Washburn, who keeps a
drug store in Lynn, was called into
court Saturday by Horace King, agent
of the Tolman temperance, charged
with the violation of the screen law.
The case was continued one week.

Gen. Lander post, 5, G. A. R., of Lynn
held its annual memorial service in the
Lynn theatre last evening. There
were 26 vacant chairs in front of the
stage, this being the number of com-
rades who have died the past year.

The Gloucester police made a raid on
the Eagle house, Saturday night, se-
curing a large amount of all kinds of
liquor. Mayor Marchant has given
orders to enforce the liquor laws with-
out regard to the identity or standing
of the suspected persons.

The new edifice of St. James' Episco-
pal church, Amesbury, which has risen
from the ashes of the one burned to the
ground just 11 months ago yesterday,
was formally opened for worship Sun-
day. The sermon at the morning ser-
vice was by reverend archbishop J. H.
Van Buren of Lynn.

A man giving the name of Capt. E.
T. Jameson and hailing from Gloucester
is wanted by the Boston police. It is al-
leged that he has imposed himself upon
people by the name of Jameson in Bos-
ton, claiming relationship, and then
borrowed money of them. He is said to
have secured about \$65 from three vic-
tims.

The two children, two and three years
old, of Charles Craig, Lynn, set fire to
a chair yesterday while playing. They
were unable to leave the room but their
cries as the flames sprang up attracted
the attention of Fred H. Seary, who
rushed into the house, broke down the
door, threw the burning chair out of
the window and took out the little ones
one of whom was unconscious from the
smoke.

Two boys from Brockton were found
on the streets in Lynn Friday evening
and taken to the station. They gave
their names as Edward J. Barnes and
Herbert Metzger, Brockton. The police
of Brockton were notified of their
capture, and later informed the Lynn
officers that the boys' parents would
make no effort to bring them back and
the only thing to be done was to turn
them loose again.

AN EDITOR'S LIFE SAVED BY CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY.

During the early part of October 1899,
I contracted a bad cold which settled on
my lungs and was neglected until I
feared that consumption had appeared
in an incipient state. I was constantly
coughing and trying to expel something
which I could not. I became alarmed
and after giving the local doctor a trial
bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough
Remedy and the result was immediate
improvement, and after I had used three
bottles my lungs were restored to their
healthy state.—B. S. EDWARDS, Pub-
lisher of The Review, Wyant, Ill. For
sale by Arthur Bliss, Andover; C. H.
Shattuck, Ballardvale.

GLOUCESTER, Feb. 29.—James R.
Connolly instructor at Gloucester A. C.
has tendered his resignation to the ex-
ecutive committee.

Mr. Connolly will go south, returning
north in time to train for the athletic
games to be held at the Paris exposition.

GETS A LARGE CONTRACT.

AMESBURY, Feb. 29.—A representa-
tive of a New York automobile com-
pany was in town today and placed
with local carriage manufacturers prob-
ably the largest order received here in
many years. The New York firm de-
clined to give the name of the firm, but
30 finished automobile bodies per day
for six months, and as the cost of these
bodies will be from \$100 to \$125 each,
the contract will amount to half a mil-
lion dollars.

The contracts have been taken to
New York for approval, which it is ex-
pected they will receive in a short time
and as a result a great boom in busi-
ness is looked for in the near future.

A RARE OLD VOLUME.

SALEM, Feb. 29.—Charles W. Palfray
of this city has presented to the Essex
institute the famous Bible of Roger Con-
nant, one of the first settlers of Salem,
in a blank at the bottom of one of the
pages is a record apparently made by
Connant's wife in these words: "The 4th
day of May, 1672, being Saturday, my
dere little son Samuel Connant died
the 15 day of June 1672, being Saturday,
my dere, dere husband Roger Connant
died."

This Bible was loaned by Mr. Palfray
to John Gorham Palfray while the lat-
ter was writing his history of New
England. The author submitted it in
August, 1845, to George Livermore, a
leading antiquary of that period, who
returned it with the following state-
ment:

"I find by examination that this Bible
is of the Geneva version first translated
and published in 1560, by the English
reformers who fled to that city during
the persecution of Queen Mary's reign—
It is the third English translation—
Coverdale's being the first in 1535, Cran-
mer's the second in 1539. This transla-
tion was always highly esteemed by the
Puritans and notwithstanding it was
condemned by King James, who assert-
ed it to be the worst translation ever
made, it continued to be used by many
long after the translation made by royal
authority was published."

It goes by the name of "The Breeches
Bible."

A CARD.

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree
to refund the money on a 50 cent bottle
of Green's Warranted Syrup of Tar if it
fails to cure your cough or cold. We
also guarantee a 25-cent bottle to prove
satisfactory or money refunded.

Arthur Bliss, Druggist.

METHUEN.

Miss Marion B. Emerson has gone on
a snowshoe trip with the Appalachian
club.

Miss Millie Remick of Malten is visit-
ing her uncle Frank Remick on High
street.

The 23d anniversary exercises of Col.
William B. Greene post 100, G. A. R.,
will be held Friday evening.

Miss Harriet Sleeper has returned to
Mount Holyoke college after a short
visit at her home in the east part of the
town.

Rev. W. J. Wilkins preached at the
Methodist church in Dover, N. H., yester-
day in exchange with Rev. D. C.
Babcock, D. D.

James H. Curran has been drawn to
serve on the jury at the March sitting
of the civil term of the Essex county
superior court to be held at Law-
rence.

The 49th anniversary of the marriage
of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Howe, a highly
esteemed couple, was pleasantly ob-
served Friday evening by a party of re-
latives and friends who surprised them
at their home on Railroad street. Sa-
lem, N. H., and Woburn were repre-
sented by those coming from out of
town. The evening was spent in a
social and all expressed the hope to be present
at the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs.
Howe next year.

Grand Master N. J. W. Fish and
Grand Instructor and Grand Instructor
William M. Webber of the grand lodge,
I. O. O. F., of Massachusetts will make
an official and fraternal visit to Hope
lodge of the town next Monday even-
ing by invitation of the lodge. Instruc-
tion will be given the secret work of
the several degrees. After the meeting
the grand officers will be entertained at
a banquet the committee on which con-
sists of Noble Grand Fred M. Swain,
Vice Grand William Latham and Past
Grand John S. Tapley.

The snowstorm of Saturday night
struck Methuen with all its fury but
so far as known no damage was done
other than the blocking of some of the
roads in the outlying districts. It is es-
timated that from six to eight inches fell
and the street railway people started
their snow-plows early in the evening
and kept them running all night, thus
keeping their lines clear. Highway Sur-
veyor Hill had the town snow plows
out early and the streets were in passable
condition by church time. Those who had
begun to think that spring is close at
hand now believe in the truth of the old
adage that "winter never runs in the
sky." There is yet plenty of time to re-
alize that winter is still with us.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS.

The Democratic caucus for the nomi-
nation of town officers was held in the
town hall Tuesday evening and resulted
in somewhat of a surprise. Contrary to
expectation the name of Edward Freese
did not appear on the ballot. Although
he had submitted his name to the town
committee he reconsidered his action,
and before the ballots were printed re-
quested its withdrawal. It was said
last night that his action was prompted
by the fact that all three of the suc-
cessful nominees at the Republican cau-
cus were also to enter the Democratic cau-
cus. Charles M. Sawyer, however, was
a candidate and defeated Alfred New-
house for the nomination.

The caucus was called to order by
Edward P. Moriarty, chairman of the
Democratic town committee. Hon.
James O. Parker was chosen chairman
of the caucus and Andrew J. Lawton,
secretary. David Gorlon, William M.
Dooley and Edward J. Moriarty were
appointed tellers. The voting was light
there having been but 36 ballots cast at
the time of closing the polls. The re-
sult of the balloting was announced at
9.20 o'clock as follows:

For selectmen, assessors, and over-
seers of the poor—John H. George, 19;
George O. Marsh, 20; Alfred Newhouse,
16; and Charles M. Sawyer, 24. Messrs.
George, Marsh and Sawyer are the
nominees.

For town clerk, treasurer and collec-
tor—Joseph S. Howe, 30. No opposition.
For school committee for three years—
William D. Hartshorne, 26. No op-
position.

For trustee of Nevins Memorial for
two years—Joseph S. Howe, 30. No op-
position.

For auditor—Charles H. T. Mann, 20.
No opposition.

For highway surveyor—Isaac C.
Brown, 26. No opposition.

For water commissioner for three
years—Albert L. Dame, 20. No op-
position.

For constables—John J. Dolan, 27;
Charles H. Emerson, 22; Albert B. Gor-
don, 21; Eugene J. Murphy, 26; James
L. Moxson, 17; Joseph N. Sargent, 22.
All six nominated.

For fence viewers—John S. Crosby, 19;
Millard F. Emerson, 23; and William P.
Russell, 22. All three nominated.

A natural cave in the cliffs of Ledaig,
near Oban, in Argyshire, Eng., was fitted
up as a place of worship by the local
people and used as such for many years.
John Campbell, who acted as pastor for many
years, and was much respected. He
cleared out the cave and had it furnish-
ed with trunks of trees for the worship-
ers to sit on. The table, which is also
a reading desk, is said to be the portion
of a tree on which King Robert the
Bruce rested. The Highland worship-
ers who assembled in this unique
church never numbered more than 30,
when it was considered full, and some-
times the number was but three or four.

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Pastor.

SUNDAY, FEB. 25.
10.30 A. M., morning worship,
with sermon by the Pastor. Also,
sub-primary department.
Sunday-school to follow.
2.30 P. M., Scotland Dist. School
3.40 P. M., Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.
6.30 P. M., Sr. Y. P. S. C. E.
7.30 P. M., evening worship, with
sermon by the Pastor.

Tuesday,
7.15 P. M.,
Boy's Brigade
Company.
Address by
Gen. Brigham.

Wednesday,
7.45 P. M.,
Preparatory
Lecture.

Thursday, 2.30 P. M., Ladies' (Charitable Society)
7.30 P. M., Courtous Circle.

West Parish Congregational
Church, Organized 1836.
Rev. G. A. Andrews, Pastor.

SUNDAY, FEB. 25.
10.30 A. M., Preaching by Rev.
F. W. Klein.
Sunday-school to follow.
3.00 P. M., Preaching by Pastor
at Ogden school house, to be
followed by Sunday School.
7 P. M., Y. P. S. C. E. Meeting.
Arthur Boutwell, leader.

7.30 P. M., half-hour talk on the
Bible by the Pastor.
7.00 P. M.,
Service at Ab-
bott school-
house.
Wednesday,
7.30 P. M.,
Preparatory
Lecture.

Christ Church, Episcopal, Central Street
Organized 1835. Rev. Frederic Palmer,
Rector.

SERVICES, SUNDAY, FEB. 25.

10.30 A. M., Morning Prayer, with sermon by the
Rector.
9.00 A. M., Sunday-School.
7.00 P. M., Litany Service, with sermon by
the Rector.

Thursday, Evening Prayer, with sermon by
the Rector.
Monday, Girls' Friendly Society, 7.30 P. M.
Ash Wednesday, Litany and Ante-Communion
Service, 9.00 A. M.
Evening Prayer and Address, 7.30 P. M.

Friday, Girls' Friendly Society, 7.30 P. M.
Friday, Ladies' Benevolent Society, 3 P. M.
Litany and Address by the Rector, 5 P. M.
Saturday, Evening Prayer, 6.00 P. M.

Free Church, Congregational, Railroad St.
Organized 1846. Rev. Frederic A. Wil-
son, Pastor.

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY, FEB. 25.
10.30 A. M., Worship with sermon by
the Pastor.
Sunday-school to follow the morning
service.
3.00 P. M., Preaching Service at Free
Village, conducted by Mr. H. J. Bennett.
3.00 P. M., Junior Endeavor Society.
7.00 P. M., Monthly Consecration Service
of Senior Endeavor Society.
7.15 P. M., Monday, meeting of the Boys'
Brigade Com-
pany.
7.45 P. M.,
Wednesday,
Service Pre-
paratory to
Communion.
3.00 P. M.,
Thursday,
Mothers' Meet-
ing at home of
M. A. Martha
Goff on High St.
2.00 P. M.,
Saturday,
Whitaker So-
ciety Meeting.

Haplist Church, cor. of Essex and Central
Sts., Organized 1858. Rev. F. W. Klein,
Pastor.

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY, FEB. 25.
10.30 A. M., Public Worship,
with sermon by Rev. G. A. An-
drews.
Sunday-School to follow the
morning service.
3.00 P. M., Meeting of Junior
Society, Christian Endeavor.
6.15 P. M., Prayer
Meeting of the Y. P.
S. C. E.
7.00 P. M., Praise
and Gospel Service.
Wednesday,
7.30 P. M., Church
Covenant and Busi-
ness Meeting.

Chapel Church, "On the Hill,"
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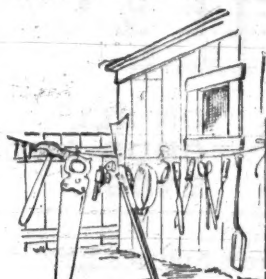
SERVICES SUNDAY, FEB. 25
10.30 A. M., Preaching by Prof.
Taylor.
Sunday-School to follow the
morning service.
4.30 P. M., Prof. Taylor.

St. Augustine's Church, Roman Catholic
Essex St. Organized 1850. Rev. Fr.
O'Mahoney, Pastor.

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY, FEB. 25.
3.30 A. M., Mass and short sermon.
2.00 P. M., Sunday school until further notice.
3.00 P. M., Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed
Sacrament.
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Second Sunday of each month, Communion day
for children.
Third Sunday of each month, Communion day,
Rosary and Arch Confraternity.

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BALLARDVALE.

Ballardvale Churches.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, Rev. Edwin Smith, pastor. Services for Sunday, Feb. 25.

10:30 a. m. Worship with sermon by the pastor.
Sunday School to follow.
3:00 p. m. Meeting of Juniors.
6:00 p. m. V. P. S. C. E. Consecration meeting. Leader, Daniel H. Poor.
7:00 p. m. Illustrated lecture by pastor. Subject, "Westminster Abbey and St. Paul's Cathedral."
7:30 p. m. Thursday evening. Prayer meeting.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, Rev. Thomas Livingston, pastor. Services for Sunday, Feb. 25.

10:30 a. m. Worship with sermon by the pastor.
11:30 a. m. Sunday School.
6:00 p. m. Meeting of Epworth League.
7:00 p. m. Prayer service with report by the pastor of the Epworth League Convention.
7:30 p. m. Tuesday evening prayer meeting.
7:30 p. m. Thursday, Ladies' Aid Society.

Frank Herrick of Boston, spent Sunday with relatives in the village.

Mrs. John Burke is spending the week with her father in New York city.

Miss Margaret Bonner is quite seriously ill at her home on River street.

Mrs. Edwin Smith is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Arthur F. Belcher, Portland, Me.

William Page of Malden, is spending the week with his friend, Edward Hammond, River street.

Miss Rogers of Malden, has been the guest of her friend, Miss S. Jennie Stark, Marlard street.

Mrs. Thos. Miller is quite seriously ill with pneumonia. Dr. C. H. Shattuck is in attendance.

Miss Sadie Buckley of Melrose, has been spending the week with her uncle, Selectman John S. Stark.

Mrs. Frank Parkhurst returned home Thursday, from a three weeks' visit with friends in New York.

Miss Jessie B. F. Greene visited "Hodgkins School" in West Somerville last Monday. The school is named after the well known trustee of the Ballardvale mills.

Rev. Edwin Smith will give an illustrated lecture in the Congregational church next Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. Subject, "Westminster Abbey and St. Paul's Cathedral."

The ninth number in the Bradlee course will be given next Wednesday evening consisting of an entertainment by F. P. Elliot, impersonator, in "Christopher, Jr."

Notwithstanding the inclement weather, the Catholics held their regular services last Sunday. No services were held in the other churches of the village during the day.

Last Thursday, Rev. Thomas Livingston attended the district Epworth League convention held in Lynn. He will give a full report of the convention next Sunday evening at 7 o'clock in the Methodist church.

Last Thursday evening at the meeting of the Congregational church, Deacon Orrill Ashton was elected a delegate to the council to be held next Wednesday to dismiss the Rev. Henry E. Oxnard, who has accepted the pastorate of the North church, Newton.

Thomas Livingston died last Sunday in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., at the advanced age of 76 years. The deceased was the father of Rev. Thomas Livingston, our well known pastor. The funeral was held last Tuesday from the home of his son, Mark Livingston, in Troy, N. Y.

Wilbur F. Ward severed his connection last Saturday with the Ballardvale mills after a continuous service of over thirteen years as foreman in the weave room in the "Wooden Mill." Before Mr. Ward left Saturday, Miss Mary Turner, in a very pleasant manner, in behalf of his weavers, presented him with a twenty dollar gold piece. He replied in a few brief words, telling them how he appreciated their kind remembrance. Mr. Ward was the most popular foreman in the mills, every weaver having a good word to speak in his favor, showing the exceptionally cordial relations existing between them.

North Andover News.

The report of the auditor has been issued.

Republican caucus in the town hall this evening at 7.30 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. George D. Knightly are rejoicing in the birth of a son.

Edward Adams is converting the Hiram Clark building into a dwelling.

Rev. J. F. Mears preached in Newburyport Sunday in exchange with Rev. Mr. Wood.

Jabez Wagner and Miss Beatrice Wagner have returned from a visit with friends in Boston and vicinity.

Funeral services over the remains of the late Edward Cooper will be held at the late home tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Miss Ida Carleton entertained several friends at her home Monday evening. Sargent's barge conveyed young people from the parish.

The funeral services of James Woodhouse will be held at the home on Pleasant street tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends invited.

"Sylvia's Soldiers," will capture an audience in Unitarian hall tomorrow evening. The proceeds will be devoted to the use of the Charitable union.

Thomas P. Wentworth and Mrs. D. W. Sutcliffe have returned from Searport, Me., having been called thither by the death of their father, an estimable gentleman, and an old resident of the place.

A character song, "Little Bo-Peep," was pleasingly rendered by Alice Rea and other selections were given by Miss G. A. Farnham, Marion and Alice Rea. The program closed with the farce, "Rubber Boots," presented by Misses D. M. Farnum, Ida Farnum, Ida F. Carleton and Arthur Farnham.

By the cheerful hearthfire of the Farnum homestead, the neighborhood enjoyed a successful program on Saturday evening. "Mother Goose" served topics for discourse, and many a hidden truth was discovered in the familiar rhymes, and turned to serious practical application in essays given by Miss A. M. Tucker, Miss G. A. Farnham and Mr. D. A. Carleton.

The Y. P. S. C. E. will give an entertainment in Stevens hall Tuesday evening, Feb. 27. The services of Lu B. C. C. have been secured and he will give selections of poetic humor and appear in character impersonations. His repertoire includes some 70 songs. Tickets are 25 cents and may be obtained of children of the church, or of the committee, which consists of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Berry, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. McQueston and Charles Woodbury.

Obituary.

JAMES WOODHOUSE.

An illness long continued terminated in the death of James Woodhouse, an estimable citizen at 4.30 o'clock Sunday day morning. Mr. Woodhouse was born in the shire town of Stramontage, district of Kendal, Westmoreland, England, April 7, 1848. At the age of six years he removed with his parents to Keighley, where he remained until after learning the trade of machinist, serving the customary seven years. Then he came to this country and settled in North Andover, entering the employ of Davis and Furber. He remained with them until about a year ago when ill health obliged him to retire. He was an excellent tradesman. He was a man of modest demeanor of excellent character and fond of the home life, and leaves behind a train of memories dear to friends. He died peacefully with the members of the family gathered about him. He was a member of Bradstreet colony, U. O. P. E. and has been attached to this lodge for several years.

Two brothers, Robert and Abraham, remain in England, in the town of Keighley. In the immediate family there remain a widow and seven children: Mrs. William M. Moulton, Robert Woodhouse, Manchester, N. H., Herbert Lena, Mary, Lila and Frank of town. Funeral services will be held at the late home, Pleasant street, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Miss Susie M. Laing, of the church of "Christian Science, Lawrence, officiating.

Funeral services were held at the home Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock. The service of the "Christian Science" was held. There was a large attendance of neighbors and friends and a profusion of beautiful flowers surrounded the casket.

EDWARD COOPER.

About 11 o'clock Sunday night almost without warning, Edward Cooper, one of the best known and oldest residents of town, passed away. Mrs. Cooper retired and hearing an unusual noise hastened to the front room just in time to find her husband breathing his last. Death was wholly unlooked for although Mr. Cooper had been suffering from an attack of the grippe for about two weeks, yesterday he appeared better than he had been for some days. At the time of his decease he was sitting in his chair as it was his custom of late to take his nightly rest in that way. Death was due to heart failure attendant upon the grippe.

Nearly 72 years ago Mr. Cooper was born in Rochdale, Enz. At the age of 17 years he went to Philadelphia, Pa., and four years later he came to this town, entering Hodges' mill. In a few years he left his position there and became stationary engineer at the Davis and Furber shop. He remained there 20 years and since his retirement has conducted a grocery store on Main street. His residence in town covers a period of more than half a century. The only public office which he held was that of town constable, several years ago.

In the immediate family there remain a widow and seven children: Mrs. Henry M. Wetmore, Oakland, Cal.; John T. Cooper, the well known postman of Lawrence; Mrs. Lewis McInnes, Miss Jennie B. Cooper, Miss Annie Cooper, Fred L. Cooper, and Miss Sadie A. Cooper of town. In the loss sustained the relatives have the sympathy of hosts of friends and long time residents.

The last services were held at the home on Main street Wednesday morning at two o'clock. Neighbors and friends gathered by association and acquaintance during half a century gathered as a mark of respect and to sympathize with the relatives in their sorrow. Rev. E. S. Thomas of St. Paul's church conducted brief services and spoke words of hope, consolation and comfort to the family. After looking for the last time on the familiar countenance in the dignity of repose, the body was tenderly borne to Ridge-wood cemetery and tenderly laid away with brief words of committal said by the pastor. Expressions of affection and sympathy were voiced by beautiful flowers.

Schools closed Wednesday until Monday.

Mrs. Edward Kelley is quite seriously ill.

Charles Walworth has entered the machine shop.

Republican caucus, town hall, tomorrow evening at 7.30 o'clock.

Edward Adams is finishing the Hiram Clark house on Milk street.

Rev. Fr. Gliday occupied his pulpit in St. Michael's church for the first Sabbath Sunday.

Mrs. James Clark, a former resident, now of Blue Hill, Me., is seriously ill at the home of her daughter.

Several parishioners will attend the Unitarian conference in North church, Salem, tomorrow.

Peter Holt is the owner of a pair of handsome twin Jersey calves which are admired by all who see them.

Guy Currier, and M. T. Stevens are said to be among those considered in Lowell as district candidates for congressman.

James T. Johnson of Waltham, and Henry H. and son of Melrose, were in town Friday to attend the funeral of the late Peter Holt.

It is predicted that an effort will be made in the Democratic caucus this evening to endorse William Halliday and drop Mr. Moody.

Tomorrow from 12 o'clock noon till 10 o'clock p. m., will be the last opportunity for voters to register. The meeting will be held in Selectmen's village office.

Home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Colquhoun resonated with cheerful melody Friday evening, when a party of some thirty friends and acquaintances invaded the premises to celebrate the 18th birthday of their daughter Miss Agnes Colquhoun. The occasion will long be a bright spot in the memory of each one present.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen DeS. Gage entertained friends from town and elsewhere at what Saturday evening, in a very pleasant manner, at their home on Elm street. Four prizes were offered for various degrees of proficiency, two for gentlemen and two for ladies. They were conferred as follows: Oscar M. Godfrey, 1st gentlemen's; Mrs. O. M. Godfrey, 1st ladies'; Mr. Phelps of Somerville, second gentlemen's; Mrs. A. L. Fernandez second ladies'. A collation was daintily served during the evening, and subsequent to the game musical selections were rendered by Mr. Phelps. Among those bidden by the host and hostess were: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Adams, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Fernandez, Mr. Gage of Haverhill, Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Godfrey, Mrs. Annie Mentor of Haverhill, Mr. Phelps of Somerville, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Goodwin and L. Edgar Osgood.

The calico party inaugurated under private auspices and conducted Friday evening in Unitarian hall by Harry C. Foster, was one of the most pleasing of the winter series. Mr. Foster and Miss Bassett led the march and some thirty couples followed them. The hall was prettily decorated in colors red and white and with the hues of the various costumes produced an effect which was novel and effective. A trio from the American orchestra led by Mr. Twoomey, furnished music. The order of dances as arranged was very satisfactory and afforded opportunity for the enjoyment of all. Refreshments were served at intervals. Young people from the Bradfords and Andovers were present to aid in the pleasure of the occasion. The committee in charge was as follows: Director, Harry C. Foster; assistants, Arthur Farnham, W. Ward, Arthur W. Bassett, Emanuel Downing, L. E. Osgood. Albert Currier decorated the hall. Mr. Putnam guarded the portal.

Republican Caucus.

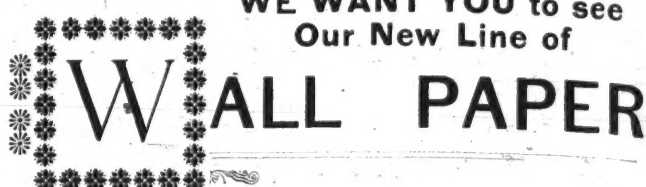
Nearly one quarter of the voting population of the town attended the Republican caucus Tuesday evening, and not only attended but many of the caucus was called to order by Wm. Halliday of the town committee. N. P. Frye was chosen chairman, and A. F. King Jr. secretary. The chairman appointed Mr. S. Jenkins and W. H. Hayes clerks, and James Colquhoun, J. B. Lewis, Luther Ellis, George Meeser, Fred Sargent, S. D. Berry, Frank Manchester, Fred H. Marland canvassed the votes. The result:

Number of votes cast, 190. Of this number the candidates received respectively:

MODERATOR.	
J. C. Poor.	145
TOWN CLERK.	
J. W. Leitch.	155
TREASURER.	
George H. Perkins.	143
SELECTMEN.	
L. E. Osgood.	114
William Halliday.	113
Calvin Red.	101
HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.	
H. M. Stowers.	85
SCHOOL COMMITTEE (three years.)	
Dr. F. S. Smith.	147
LIBRARY TRUSTEE (three years.)	
Dr. C. P. Morrill.	121
ASSESSORS.	
Calvin Rea.	97
J. P. Clark.	91
L. E. Osgood.	85
COLLECTOR OF TAXES.	
A. F. King, Jr.	61
AUDITOR.	
C. H. Robinson.	79
CONSTABLES.	
F. A. Coan.	113
H. R. Smith.	65
Geo. L. Harris.	71
Fred Marvin.	69
Joseph Leighton.	104
OVERSEERS OF POOR.	
William Halliday.	96
L. E. Osgood.	94
Calvin Rea.	88
WATER COMMISSIONER (3 years)	
E. S. Coyle.	58
PARK COMMISSIONER (3 years.)	
G. G. Chadwick.	56
TREE WARDEN.	
Peter Holt.	63

It was midnight before the vote was announced. It was the largest caucus ever held for the nomination of candidates for town officers. The principal contest was for the nomination for tax gatherer. There were seven candidates for nomination. For water commissioner, William Somerville made an excellent showing, lacking only 13 votes. He was second on the list and his campaign commenced only Saturday night. The contest for highway surveyor was very close between Mr. Gile and Mr. Stowers. The former was credited with 71 and the latter with 85 votes.

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Overdrafts, secured and unsecured.	231.02
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation.	50,000.00
Stocks, securities, etc.	80,700.00
Banking House, furniture, and fixtures.	43,000.00
Due from approved reserve agents.	16,510.36
Checks and other cash items.	321.59
Notes of other National Banks.	5,847.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents.	311.03
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, viz:	
Specie.	18,315.05
Legal tender Notes.	\$20.90
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (3 per cent. of circulation).	2,250.00
Total.	\$3,389.03

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in.	\$125,000.00
Surplus fund.	25,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid.	17,827.70
National Bank notes outstanding.	45,000.00
Due to State Banks and Bankers.	9,628.57
Individual deposits subject to check.	100,000.70
Demand certificates of deposit.	8,242.46
Total.	\$385,839.03

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J. TYLER KIMBALL, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of Feb., 1900.

GEORGE W. FOSTER, Notary Public.

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M. T. STEVENS,
J. H. PLIN,
HORACE H. TYLER.

Directors.

The entertainment given last night under the auspices of the Charitable union was a pleasing success, and a credit to the performers. Prior to the presentation of "Sylvia's Soldiers," Messrs. M. T. Stevens Jr., and A. P. Chickering rendered two duets for piano and violin. The selections were "Meditation on Bach's Prelude" by Gounod and Mozart's "Minuetto." Between the acts of the comedy farce Miss Gilman gave a vocal solo, "Sweetheart." Miss Grace Barker was accompanist.

The cast of characters for "Sylvia's Soldier" follows:
Sylvia, Miss Barker
Mr. Horton, J. Currier
Arthur Horton, Albert Currier
Bess Bray, Miss Bassett
Horace Lyford, Arthur Bassett
People were present from Andover, Boxford, and Lawrence. Probably about \$25 will be netted for the treasury.

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